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TRADE STILL GAINS

The Improvement, However, Not Rapid Enough for Some.

MANY WHO ARE EXPECTING TOO MUCH

Prices Continue Low, But a Study of the Conditions Now Governing Business Indicates a Lasting Movement in the Proper Direction.

New York, Jan. 30.—Dun's weekly review of the state of trade for the week just ending will, to-day, say: January has been a month of disappointment, but of real gain. Nearly everybody had promised himself a land of milk and honey after New Year's, and the slow progress looks like standing still to men in such a state of mind. Moreover, there are multitudes throughout the country who have been taking large ventures in advance of or apart from their regular business because they expected a rise in prices. But prices fail as yet to bring them profit. Wheat has declined severely, cotton has scarcely risen enough to pay brokerage, wool holds steady in spite of enormous buying, woolen goods hardly change in price, iron and its products decline, leather is sluggish, hides are lower, for some shoe manufacturers accept a shade lower prices; the average of railroad stocks is slightly lower than it was Dec. 31, and the advance in trust stocks has been small. To traders in such properties the month has been disappointing. Yet during the past week the record shows that ten iron works have started and only two have stopped, thirteen woolen works have started and nine more are about ready to start, while three have stopped. Similar things are seen in other industries, and the additional establishments are not starting without some increase in orders received.

Imports and Exports.

It would do more harm than good to exaggerate the improvement. Much harm was done in that way in 1895, and again last November. But a study of conditions governing business indicates that the wheels are on the right track and moving in the right direction. Men talked of a possible drain of gold a month ago, but January has passed and the liquidation of foreign indebtedness to this country seems farther off than ever. Merchandise exports from New York in January have been about 4 per cent. larger than last year and imports 15 per cent. smaller than last year, when the excess of exports was over $18,000,000, while cotton exports from other ports have also been larger. The month has not diminished but has increased the current balance due this country. Money markets become more easy and favorable to expansion of industries and legitimate business. Loans on the best paper are made at 3 per cent., and dealings and offerings are larger than since September, except for two weeks in November. About $10,000,000 of the long exchange held here against London has gone forward for settlement, which may possibly lead to imports of some gold, as balances on commercial account, though smaller than for some months, are still in favor of this country.

Wheat, Corn and Cotton.

The decline in wheat of over 6 cents, in spite of an official report of yield far below estimates generally accepted, reflects perception of the error of the report, and also of the influence of enormous exports of corn instead of wheat, 80,000,000 bushels in seven months. When two bushels of corn can be had for less than one bushel of wheat, it is largely preferred in European markets. As the great crop of corn prevents much advance in its price, its outgo affects the demand for wheat, and a heavy liquidation of speculation has occurred, with the price of corn scarcely changing. The largest article of export at this season goes out freely, but cotton look less attractive to traders, because American millers are laboring over plans to reduce a great surplus of goods, and prices of many have declined.

Leather, Hides and Metals.

The yielding in some grades of boots and shoes has not continued, leather is unchanged, and hides scarcely a shade lower, but shipments from the east for the month have been larger than last year, and only 3 per cent. less than in the largest previous year. The iron and steel manufacture shows little gain, production having increased so heavily before, and the gradual enlargement of demand for finished products has not overtaken that increase. Lower prices result for Bessemer pig, Grey forge, and for southern iron at Chicago, for angles and for cut nails and the average of all quotations is the lowest since early last year. For sheets there is active demand, and better also for bars, on account of much car building. Tin and copper are a shade stronger, but competition causes sales of tin plates below the agreed price.

For a Statue to Maj.-Gen. Slocum.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The house committee on the library has recommended favorably the bill appropriating $50,000 for the erection of an equestrian statue in this city to Maj.-Gen. Henry W. Slocum.

SENATOR ALLEN EXPLAINS.

His Speech Does Not Mean That He Will Support Republicans.

Washington, Jan. 30.—"If the short speech I made in the senate yesterday has been construed by any one to mean that I will support the republicans in their proposed tariff legislation, such conclusion is erroneous," said Senator Allen of Nebraska this morning. "I have said that I believed that the resolution for an international monetary conference and the proposed tariff measure of the republicans ought to be permitted to pass, if there were sufficient votes to pass them, after a reasonable debate. I do not, for one, propose to place any obstruction in the way, for I want the country to see that neither of these things will give the needed relief. This does not mean, however, that I will vote for a republican tariff bill. On the contrary, I shall vote against it."

CADETS FOR THE INAUGURAL.

Ebbitt House Will Entertain the West Point Boys Free of Charge.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The secretary of war some time ago arranged for the West Point cadets to come to Washington and participate in the inaugural ceremonies on March 4. A controversy arose over the matter of the expense of the trip, and it became necessary that some arrangement be made for their subsistence while here. Congress having so far failed to make an appropriation for that purpose. H. C. Burch, manager of the Ebbitt house, where Major McKinley will have his headquarters, has written to Secretary Lamont offering to entertain the cadets free of charge at that hotel during their stay here.

OFFICIAL CHANGES IN CUBA.

Reported That Weyler's Power Is To Be Reduced.

Madrid, Jan. 30.—A report is in circulation here that General Azcarraga, minister of war, is to be appointed governor general of Cuba, and that General Weyler, the present governor general is to be retained as commander-in-chief of the troops. It is also stated that it has been decided to make some changes in the minstry by which Senor Castellanos, minister of the colonies, and Senor Cos-Gayen, minister of the interior, will retire and be replaced respectively by Senors Saulos Guzman and Robledo.

Terrible Sufferings of a Shipwrecked Crew

Gloucester, Mass., Jan. 30.—Mate Rose, one of the crew of the schooner Yosemite, wrecked near Lockport, N. S., has just arrived home. Before being rescued, he says, the crew remained on a desolate island for twenty-four hours without food or shelter, suffering from the intense cold. Capt. McKinnon, when the vessel broke in two and the mast went overboard, was swept into the sea and against the rocks, breaking his leg, while Philip Feander was seriously injured and died from exposure. The captain and the rest of the crew remained in Nova Scotia, being unable to come home on account of injuries received.

Another Appeal for the Peace Treaty.

Washington, Jan. 30.—A petition elaborately printed on parchment and signed by an even hundred of the leading citizens of Philadelphia urging the senate to ratify the treaty of arbitration now pending between this country and Great Britain has been presented to the senate. The memorial is signed by Mayor Warwick, the judges of the various courts, ex-Senator Edmunds, formerly of Vermont, and bankers and capitalists representing money valued at away up in the millions.

Sale of Tom Boy Gold Mine.

New York, Jan 30.—The sale of the Tom Boy gold mine, one of the best gold mines in the country, to the Exploration company of London, otherwise the Rothschild syndicate, has been consummated. The syndicate bought fifty-one per cent. of the capital stock of $2,000,000 at an appraised valuation of $1,500,000, which made the cost of the $1,020,000 stock required $765,000.

Three Murderers' Sentenced.

New York, Jan. 30.—Justice Smyth, in the criminal branch of the supreme court, sentenced Michael Costello to twenty years' imprisonment for the killing of James Purcell. He also sentenced John Murphy to twenty years' imprisonment for the murder of William Whalen, and Edward Dinen to seven years in states prison for the killing of James Reynolds.

Connecticut's Last Toll Gate.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 30.—The Derby turnpike, containing the last toll gate in the state, is to be opened for free travel on February 6. The various towns through which the turnpike passes have assumed control of it by purchasing the company's stock. The company has been in existence since the early years of the present century.

To Inculcate Patriotism.

Albany, Jan. 30.—The Lincoln club of Monroe county and Rochester has been incorporated by the secretary of state. The objects are to inculcate devotion and loyalty to our country in its members and to maintain the principles of the republican party, etc.

THE MONETARY BILL

Senators Informally Discussing Its Prospects in the House.

PROVISIONS OF THE MEASURE

Atlantic & Pacific Railroad Bill Precipitates a Miniature Civil War in the House—Massachusetts and Vermont the Belligerent States.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The senate is not in session to-day, having adjourned until Monday, but the members are informally discussing the prospects of passage in the house of the bill passed by the senate yesterday by a vote of 46 to 4 for the representation of the United States upon any international monetary conference that may be called. This measure, which almost exclusively occupied the senate's attention yesterday, authorizes the president to appoint five or more commissioners to any international conference, with a view to securing a fixity of relative value between gold and silver as money, by means of a common ratio between the metals with free mintage at such ratio; and it also authorizes the president to call, in his discretion, such conference to assemble at such point as may be agreed upon. The debate on the bill was long and interesting; but by far the most important speech was that made by Mr. Hoar. He took the ground that a very large majority of the people of the civilized world was in favor of the double standard of gold and silver. He quoted two distinguished French statesmen as strongly in favor of bimetallism, and said that a resolution introduced in the French assembly had the support of 367 out of 450 delegates, or a majority of between three-fifths and four-fifths. Mr. Hoar also named as among the principal European advocates of bimetallism Mr. Balfour, the leader of the English house of commons, and recalled the remark made to him in a brilliant company in England, by a member of the present British cabinet, when he (Mr. Hoar) declined to repeat what Mr. Balfour had said to him: "Why, Mr. Hoar, it is no secret that Mr Balfour's opinions upon this matter are those of a majority of her majesty's government." Mr. Hoar also mentioned the likelihood of Germany and Russia joining in the bimetallic movement; and he declared in conclusion, that the time had come for making another effort in that direction.

House of Representatives.

War between the states of Massachusetts and Vermont raged for a brief period on the floor of the house over allegations of railroad wrecking in those commonwealths. The combatants were Messrs. Powers of Vermont and Barrett of Massachusetts and the occasion of strife was the consideration of the report of the conferees upon the bill providing for the incorporation of the purchases of the Atlantic & Pacific railroad. The provisions of the bill were antagonized by Mr. Barrett, who charged that they concealed a gigantic scheme of stock jobbery. Mr. Powers denied that there was anything of the sort in the bill, and added that if there had been any wrecking of the road, as suggested by the gentleman from Massachusetts, it had been done by the people in and around Boston. In this connection he sarcastically referred to Mr Barrett's congressional experience, which he compared to that of a rose which withered and wasted its sweetness on the desert air. In reply, Mr. Barrett gave the house the history of the receiverships of the Central Vermont railroad, conducted by the supreme court of that state, and extending over a period of thirty years, which he said was the most fraudulent case of railroad wrecking the country had ever seen. The report of the conference was rejected—71 to 143—and the conferees were instructed to insist upon the retention in the bill of the house amendments, the principal one of which forbids the issue of stock except for par value received. The bill making appropriations for the military academy was sent to conference on the senate amendments thereto, the house conferees being Messrs. Curtis, Griffin and Tyler. The house refused to take up bills on the private calendar, but for nearly an hour continued in committee of the whole, considering the agricultural bill, without completing it. In the course of its discussion Mr. Hardy began a speech in favor of the acquisition of Cuba, and being refused permission to conclude, the five-minute rule being in operation, gave notice that no bill should pass the house by unanimous consent for the remainder of the session. The evening session was devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

Claim Against New York State.

Albany, Jan. 30.—Mathias Kondolf of Rochester has filed a claim against the state of $2,500 for lands appropriated for canal purposes in the town of Brighton, Monroe county.

The Laurada's Destination Unknown.

Fort Monroe, Va., Jan. 30.—The destination of the steamer Laurada, the alleged filibustering vessel, which sailed hence yesterday, is unknown.

PORTFOLIO OF WAR

Gen. R. A. Alger Offered the Place and Accepts It.

THREE CABINET BERTHS NOW FILLED

A Friend of Gen. Woodford Discusses the New York Situation with the President-elect — Empire State Likely To Be Represented.

Canton, O., Jan. 30.—The proffer by the president-elect and acceptance by Gen. Russell A. Alger of the portfolio of war completes three places in the next cabinet beyond all speculation. General Alger arrived yesterday afternoon and lunched with Major McKinley. Ex-congressman A. M. Thompson of Ohio and ex-Speaker Sheard of New York were the other guests. After luncheon Major McKinley and General Alger retired for a private talk and at the expiration of two hours General Alger came out and made the announcement that he had been offered and had accepted the war portfolio. He left for Detroit last evening. General Alger was in a happy frame of mind and was frankly pleased with the result of his visit to Canton. He said he was not personally acquainted with all of the men who are likely to be in the cabinet and said that three of them he did not know by sight. He said the appointment of Mr. Gage had made a remarkably favorable impression on the business and commercial world and would hasten the return of confidence. Ex-Speaker Sheard of New York talked for two hours last evening with the president-elect. He said: "My interview was a pleasant and in a way a very satisfactory one. We discussed the New York situation in respect to the cabinet and I urged the appointment of General Woodford on the ground that he is a clean, strong, capable man about whom very much that is good can be said. His appointment would be acceptable to the organizations in New York and that fact ought not to make it unacceptable to any fair-minded citizen. Major McKinley has a high opinion of Gen. Woodford and may appoint him, but I do not think he has decided what to do in respect to New York. My conviction is that New York will be represented in the cabinet by a thoroughly satisfactory man." Col. J. McCook of New York, who called on Major McKinley Wednesday night, is mentioned to-day as a cabinet possibility. Yesterday was Major McKinley's birthday and he dined with his mother in the evening.

STATEMENT BY MR. GAGE.

Says He Will Conduct the Treasury Department on Business Principles.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—When the next secretary of the treasury, Lyman J. Gage, was called upon by a reporter at his office this morning, he consented to make the following statement for publication: "It will be my chief aim to see that the country is given a businesslike administration so far as the duties of the secretary of the treasury are concerned. My appointments will be made with regard to merit and not because of political obligation. I shall be very busy in the next thirty days putting my affairs in proper shape and getting my bearings for the change to Washington, so that I can give my utmost attention to the position entrusted to me. I shall at once tender my resignation of the presidency of the bank to the directors I expect to go to Washington shortly before March 1 to select a residence. All questions of theory and policy will be decided by the president and are questions I cannot discuss now."

New York Bankers Not Opposed to Gage.

New York, Jan. 30.—The statement that the bankers of New York were displeased with Mr. Gage's appointment as secretary of the treasury is now denied in banking circles here. As proof of this, Edward Simmons, president of the Fourth National bank of this city and of the clearing house, showed to a reporter to-day a telegram sent by him to Mr. Gage on Jan. 23, as soon as the latter's name was mentioned in connection with the portfolio of the treasury. In this telegram Mr. Simmons expressed his pleasure that Mr. Gage had signified a willingness to accept the office, and speaks in the highest terms of Mr. Gage's ability and qualifications for the office.

American Armor Plate in Russia.

Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 30.—The Bethlehem Iron company has been cabled from Russia particulars of a very successful test there of the company's armor plate. The tested plate was one representing 1,500 tons of Harveyized nickel steel side armor for the Russian battleship Rostivlov, all of which will now be accepted. The company has received a contract for making the shaftings and engine forgings for two big cruisers for the Japanese government.

Died from Morphine Poisoning.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 30.—Mrs. James Connelly, 28 years old, of Bridgeport, Conn., died at the City hospital last evening from morphine poisoning. Her father is a prominent business man of Hartford, Conn.

SAYS THE JUNTA DUPED HIM.

Capt. Hudson Explains Why He Turned State's Evidence in the Woodall Case.

Baltimore, Jan. 30.—The federal grand jury which is to hear the case against the Cuban sympathizers, Gen. Roloff and Dr. Luis, for violating the neutrality act in connection with the shipment of war supplies to Cuba by the steamship Woodall met in the U. S. court yesterday afternoon and listened to a vigorous charge by Judge Morris. The punishment for a high misdemeanor, such as is charged in this case, is a fine not exceeding $3,000 and imprisonment for not more than three years. United States District-Attorney Marbury was engaged in another trial and could not therefore go before the grand jury, but he expects to open the case this afternoon, when the government's witnesses against Gen. Roloff and Dr. Luis will give their testimony. Capt. John M. Hudson of Brooklyn, who commanded the alleged filibustering expedition which sailed on the James Woodall, will be the principal witness for the prosecution. In an interview to-day he told why he turned state's evidence and outlined the testimony he will give before the grand jury. Capt. Hudson claims that he was "dumped" by the Cuban junta, for which he risked his life and liberty; that a number of his crew have made sworn statements as to the facts of the expedition, and that he has been liable to arrest and imprisonment for violating the United States neutrality laws. Realizing that he could not rely on the Cuban junta to protect him, he says, he determined to protect himself by turning state's evidence, which he has done. "I shall make some disclosures at the trial which will surprise the Cuban junta," was Capt. Hudson's concluding statement.

WAR ON FILIBUSTERS.

Review By the Supreme Court of the Case Against the Three Friends.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Attorney Gen. Harmon has prepared a petition for a writ of certiorari to bring up for review by the supreme court the case of Three Friends, the alleged filibustering steamer from the United States court for the southern district of Florida, which he will present to the court at its session Monday next. An appeal from the decision of Judge Long in the case has been taken to the court of appeals from the fifth circuit, where it is now pending. In the petition, the attorney general says: "The question involved in this case is whether the words 'colony, district or people,' in section 5,283, R. S., are confined in application to political bodies whose belligerency has been formerly recognized, the Three Friends having been fitted out and armed in aid of the present insurrection in Cuba, which insurrection is sufficiently notorious and extensive to have received the attention of the government of this country for nearly two years past, although the insurgents have not received any recognition of belligerency—all of which the courts take judicial notice. The question is a very important one since if the section under consideration is not applicable to such expeditions in support of the present Cuban insurrection these expeditions are piratidal in character and prosecutions should be instituted under other provisions of the revised statutes."

Chinese Interpreters Wanted.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The United States civil service commission will hold an examination on February 24 to fill a vacancy in the postion of Chinese interpreter in the treasury department with a compensation at the rate of $4 per diem, and for a similar position at San Francisco. The persons to be appointed must be of other than Chinese origin and competent to interpret the various dialects of the Chinese language.

Bryan's Lecture Tour Closed.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 30.—William J. Bryan arrived here yesterday from Austin. He has cancelled his contract with the lecture management and made his last public appearance as a lecturer here last night. It is possible that he will visit a few places of his own accord in answer to pressing invitations.

Both His Hands Amputated.

Schenectady, N. Y., Jan. 30.—Ferdinand Glast, 57 years of age, who was brought to the hospital here on the 13th inst. with both hands badly frostbitten, from sleeping in a wagon while under the influence of liquor, was obliged to have his hands amputated yesterday.

15 Per Cent. Dividend Ordered.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 30.—The superior court has ordered paid a dividend of 15 per cent. on claims against the Peck Bros.' & Co. The claims against the concern aggregate half a million dollars. This is the second dividend paid, the first being one of 10 per cent.

Creditors Agree to Accept 20 Per Cent.

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 30.—At the meeting of the creditors of Charles E. Rumsey, shoe manufacturer, it was agreed to accept 20 per cent. in cash within thirty days. Mr. Rumsey has been petitioned into insolvency.

TALKS TO DOCTORS

Cleveland Attends a Celebration of the Medical Academy.

INDULGES SOMEWHAT IN HUMOR

Apologized for His Presence and Said He Boldly Determined To Speak as a Representative of the Vast Army of Patients.

New York, Jan. 30.—The Academy of Medicine celebrated its semi-centennial last night in Carnegie Music hall. The exercises consisted of addresses by Dr. Joseph D. Bryant, the president, and other members of the academy, and an address by the president of the United States, Grover Cleveland. The hall was crowded with doctors and their friends, and the boxes were brilliant with color and pretty women in rich costumes and evening dress. "Hail to the chief," greeted the president when he entered the hall on the arm of Dr. Bryant, the audience rising out of repect to the nation's executive. When President Cleveland was introduced by Chairman—Bryant he was received with applause. Mr. Cleveland's remarks were mostly of a humorous nature. He said in part:

Cleveland's Address.

"Mr. President and ladies and gentlemen: I have anticipated the share assigned to me on this occasion with considerable trepidation for various reasons. I have been chiefly disturbed, I believe, because of my inability to discover sufficient ground for my right to join those who celebrate the semi-centennial of a medical association. If, in passing through that period in boyhood when the desirable choice of future activity seemed to rest between running away from home to be a sailor and staying at home to be a doctor, I inclined to the more quiet and orderly of those pursuits, this surely furnishes no basis at this late day for a claim of relationship to the medical fraternity. Confessing, therefore, that I have no right to even standing-room within the inner circle of the profession, I have boldly and without the least authority determined to speak to you as a representative of the vast army of patients and laymen. At the outset I desire to remind you that you owe us much. Though largely in the majority and with plenty of members to spare, those who are well conducted among us do not vex you with hurtful competition. Instead of making life hard for you by an observance of the laws of health we assist you by indulging in all sorts of irregularities. We are obedient and submissive to your commands—that is, when we are sick—and we sometimes pay your bills even after a recovery to health, which we are always certain would have resulted without your interference."

Twenty Years for a Fire Bug.

New York, Jan. 30.—When Adolph Meyer, the fireburg, was arraigned before Justice Smyth for sentence he withdrew his plea of not guilty to the indictment charging him with arson of the first degree in setting fire to the house on East 113th street, and pleaded guilty of an attempt to commit arson. Attorney O'Hare made an eloquent plea in defense of the man, and Meyer wept. The justice announced that he had had his doubts as to whether a jury would have convicted Meyer of arson of the first degree and agreed to accept a plea of guilty of attempt at arson. He then sentenced Meyer to state prison at hard labor for twenty years, the full term for the crime of which the man had pleaded guilty.

Ward Can't Have His Son.

Hartford, Jan. 30.—Judge F. B Hall in the superior court yesterday afternoon gave a decision in the action of Ferdinand D. Ward to get control of his son, Charence Ward, 13 years old. Young Ward will remain in the custody of his guardian, Frederick D. Green of Thompson, Conn., who was appointed by the probate court several years ago.

New Senator from Washington.

Olympia, Wash., Jan. 30.—After many days unsuccessful balloting, George F. Turner, the well known lawyer of Spokane, who received the caucus nomination of the populists and free silver republicans, was elected United States senator by the legislature yesterday afternoon on the first ballot, receiving sixty-seven votes.

Japan and the United States.

Washington, Jan. 30.—It is understood that a treaty is soon to be sent to the senate negotiated between this country and Japan on the subject of trade marks and copyrights. American business men who have suffered from the absence of such treaty agreements have been urging the establishment of such relations for several months.

To Search for a Missing Steamer.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 30.—The sealing steamer Nertune sailed this morning in search of the missing Atlantic freighter, State of Georgia. She will cruise among the floes off the coast, the owners of the State of Georgia believing that she is frozen up there.

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At Stern's—Oh! What a Picnic for Those Ladies Who Waited.
We just completed a purchase from a manufacturer of fine Ladies' Cloaks and Capes, who closed out the entire balance at remarkably low prices. We would not have bought these goods unless the price was so low that a sure sale of them was assured. The entire lot comprises 385 garments. We give a few prices as follows:
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What a symbol of love is that circle of gold,
By the token of which our devotion was told!
How our youthful affection shines out, as it seems,
In the light of the romance around it that gleams;
And it knows no beginning or ending, or why
Its continuing course should not run till we die.

And a sign and a seal of our reverence, too,
Had a part in our creed, when that old ring was new,
When a slender, light hand was upraised to our lips
And our kisses were pressed on its slim finger tips.
For that circle of gold seemed a hallowing pledge
Of a homage profounder than words dare allege.

But the metal that's purest wears quickest away,
And that old wedding ring has grown thinner to-day;
Yet the hand which it graced graces it in its turn
With a magic the alchemist vainly would learn.
For sweet charity's touch has so filled it with gold
That that hand never lacked to the hungry and cold.

And the summers may come, and the summers may go,
And the winters may whiten the hair with their snow;
Still the hand which a lover delighted to kiss
Wears the signet of half a century's bliss,
And no earnest of joy in the Heavens above
Is more sure than that ring and its cycle of love.
—W. D. Ellwanger, in N. Y. Sun.

CHANGE IN GHOST STORIES.

He had been dead for a matter of 112 years, so naturally the place looked strange to him.

What he now saw had never been a part of his physical existence, and he wondered if it were not best for him to go back to the graveyard and have a conference with some fresh corpses who would know all about those things which has thus early filled him with doubts and misgivings. From the newly dead one he could obtain information which might keep him out of trouble. But, as he calculated upon it, such action, it seemed to him, would make him a laughing stock for all the fool ghosts in the neighborhood. They would deride him as a jay ghost who did not know enough about the haunting business to set at it without a guide book or a time card or a letter of advice and credit. They would gather around and hoot and jeer and shame him half to life, for they couldn't shame him half to death, he having been dead for a good 112 years.

"I wish," he said to himself, "that I had exerted myself a little to keep abreast of the times. Here I find myself with my entire death wasted. Just lazying around in a comfortable grave in the daytime and spending the nighttime in disputing with a lot of old fossilized sixteenth century ghosts concerning things of no interest whatever, I have allowed opportunities to pass and a lot of juniors who weren't even born, much less dead, when I died, have pushed me aside and I am just a piece of old furniture. If I were a thousand years old or something like that it would be better, for I could lie and swear and slash around retailing stale yarns, like King Arthur or Cæsar or Ahab or one of that lot, and be interesting. But I don't know anything about the remote past or the adjacent present. I have fooled away my chances, but I am going to remedy conditions. I am going to go haunting around this town and get up a reputation and go back to them and assume my proper position in spiritual society. Why, just think of it! Dead 112 years and have never scared anyone yet! Never s eeched at a schoolboy in a lonesome wood or groaned around in a deserted house, or anything."

You could see that he was ashamed of himself and that he was determined to rectify his errors of omission. To be sure, he was a bit nervous and dubious about it—although, perhaps it isn't correct to use that first adjective in description of a ghost, inasmuch as his nervous system is generally supposed to be compressed air or fog or something of that kind. He felt that it was a pretty serious undertaking for a strange and passe ghost to drift into a strange town with the avowed purpose of haunting it into a state of terror, but he was an insistent old spook, and buckled down to business with determination.

"As I have always understood it," he remarked to himself, "the thing ought to begin with a demonstration in the matter of blowing out lights. I remember when I was alive that they used to talk of ghosts sneaking up behind one and blowing out the lamp, and it always filled me with horror. It's a good trick. I wonder who invented it? I—hello! If here isn't a chance just ready for me, I'm a tombstone!"

The city was dark, it being after midnight, and all was very still. Suddenly, however, as he turned a corner he slammed square up against a window, out through which a faint light streaked its way. At a desk sat a man, dozing over a book. It was a beautiful chance. The ghost quietly slipped inside.

"There is going to be a festival of fear right here in about four seconds," he murmured softly to himself.

"Oh, I guess not," he thought. "Just imagine how he will feel, how his hair will raise, how his flesh will crawl when I lean over his shoulder and blow that light out! Why, it almost scares me myself!"

He leaned over and blew.

The light continued to burn steadily.

The ghost had straightened up ready to give vent to a wild, demoniac laugh as is the custom, he believed, for such cases made and provided, but he did not laugh. There was nothing to laugh at. The man continued to read on undisturbed in his dozing fashion.

"That's funny," the visitor said to himself. "Haven't I got any lungs any more or any strength of breath? Well, here she goes again." And once more he leaned down and "whoofed" at the light. It did not shiver.

The ghost stepped back into the middle of the room, put his hands into his pockets and stared at the light. "Well, I'm blamed!" he said to himself. "Now, what do you think of that? I blew enough wind at that thing to extinguish a bonfire, and it doesn't even flicker."

As he stood intently regarding the light the man at the desk rose drowsily, and with a yawn stepped out into the hallway. Strange as it may seem, this rather relieved the ghost, for he wanted to investigate without the presence of inquiring and embarrassing witnesses. He had now forgotten that his purpose was to affright. He drew gingerly near the mysterious lamp, and pulling in a long breath prepared to make the effort of his life—or death, as it were.

Suddenly, while he was still in the act of inhaling atmosphere, the light went out. The ghost's hair rose.

He trembled from head to foot. "Wha-wha-what-d-d-did that?" he tremulously asked himself. Then as a thought came to him: "It was one of those fool new ghosts, I'll bet. Say, you!" addressing space, in the hope that some fellow specter would answer. "I'm haunting this place. Go on away and attend to your own business. Who are you, anyway?"

There was no answer.

"Aw, say," pleadingly insisted the ghost, "talk up and tell a fellow. What's the use of acting that way? How did you blow it out? I like to bu'sted trying it, and couldn't." He thought that bit of flattery would tempt the rival spirit to respond, but it didn't. Then the full horror of it appeared to him. There was no other ghost there. He realized it. He was alone. Utterly, hopelessly alone. Oh, for the cheer of some other spectral presence!

His teeth chattered in a noiseless, foggy manner. His fingers trembled, and his legs shook beneath him, and if he had known how or had had the material to break out into a sweat he would have broken out into one of exceeding coldness. He thought of the man who had sat at the desk and wondered if he would never return. He seemed so long gone. Oh, for a glimpse of him sitting there dozing at his book!

The light flashed up.

The room was filled with its radiance, and yet nobody had come in with a flame to relight it. This was more terrifying than its extinguishment, for while a fellow-ghost might have blown the thing out, it was palpable that even a fellow-ghost could not have relit it without some preliminary performance which would have indicated what was going to happen. He knew all about those phosphorescent lights which ghosts carry around with them when they are haunting sloppy country roads where some robber has been hanged, and he knew that none such had been present. He was speechless with fear. Oh, would that man never return? If for but a moment he could see him and feel that there was something human —like he used to be—in the room, his mind would be easier. He would never again go haunting respectable people, he swore to himself. It didn't pay.

The door opened and the man came in. The ghost would have rushed to him and embraced him, but he was afraid to make himself too conspicuous, for fear the man would drive him out into the night, as he had a perfect right to do, of course. All he wanted now was to sit right down in a dark corner and shiver and wait for daylight. And he sat there and watched that man hungrily, slavishly, worshipfully, fearing every moment he would go away again.

Throughout that night strange things happened. Weird whistles sounded frightful alarms and voices came from what looked like the ends of ropes, but which were speaking tubes. Bells rang, and that valorous, fearless man talked to the wooden box, and talked as though he knew the box understood. Strange instruments of brass clicked and rattled when nobody was near them, and at odd times a mysterious thing shot out a long line of white paper, and although at every periodic whirr and whizz of the contrivance the ghost grew more excited and fearfully crouched lower, the man wasn't the least bit worried. Probably no ghost ever spent such a night.

At last the morning broke, and with the first gleam of daylight that tried spook, who had courageously set out haunting, made a rush for the door and went galloping down the streets and towards the suburbs, beyond which the graveyard lay.

A little later the day shift came on duty at the police alarm office. The night man told his relief he wished he would have the incandescent lamp mended.—Chicago Record.

Hymns and Boiled Eggs.

Bishop Paret, of this city, some time ago was the guest of an Episcopal family in West Virginia. Learning from the bishop that he liked hard-boiled eggs for breakfast, his hostess went to the kitchen to boil them herself. While so engaged she began to sing the first stanza of the hymn "Rock of Ages." Then she sang the second stanza, the bishop, who was in the dining-room, joining in. When it was finished, there was silence, and the bishop remarked:

"Why not sing the third verse?"

"The third verse?" replied the lady, as she came into the dining-room, carrying the steaming eggs. "Oh, that's not necessary."

"I don't understand," replied Bishop Paret.

"Oh, you see," she said, "when I am cooking eggs, I always sing one verse for soft-boiled and two for hard-boiled."
—Baltimore Herald.

—One biography of President Jefferson tells of an enormous cheese made weighing 1,400 pounds, 13 feet in circumference and 18 inches thick, and made from the milk of 700 cows, collected at a single milking. It bore the motto: "Rebellion to tyrants is obedience to God."

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THE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL SYSTEM.

An Interesting Statement by Hon. D. E. Ainsworth, Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction—The Need and Advantages of the Proposed Change.

Refering to the proposed change in the school sytem of the State, as contemplated by Senator Mullin's bill, Deputy Superintendent Ainsworth says:

"This proposed change has been agitated in educational gatherings and discussed for upward of twenty years. It is universally conceded on the part of all people familiar with the school system of the State that the change is demanded. It is proposed by the bill, which will soon be introduced by Senator Mullin, to provide for a township system of schools in this State. There are at present in the State about 11,000 school districts. Nearly 4,000 of these have an average daily attendance of less than ten pupils. The trend of population during the past quarter of a century has been so steadly cityward that the common schools in the districts throughout the State have declined in numbers and efficiency to an alarming degree. No argument is necessary to show that a good school cannot be maintained with less than ten pupils. The ambition, rivarly and enthusiasm coming from numbers is entirely lacking. More than that, even a good teacher will be ruined if he continues teaching in a school of that character.

"It is proposed by the bill which will be presented, to elect in every town in the State a Board of Education that will have charge of all the schools in the town, utilizing such of the present facilities as are desirable, either in their location or the character of buildings, and disposing of those not now needed. The schools under their charge will be graded, placing within the means of the boy or girl now in a remote common school district, the opportunity of obtaining—without the payment of tution—the same advantages which the fortunate resident of a more thickly settled section of the town may enjoy. Taxes over and above State aid for the maintenance of the school system will be at a uniform rate of taxation throughout the town. This proposition necessarily carries with it provision for free transporation at public expense of pupils residing remote from educational centers to be established by the town boards of education. Massachusetts has tried this system, and has found that by means of it she is able to reduce very largely the number of her schools, and the expense of transportation has been much less than to maintain the useless schools:

"Another great advantage of the system will be the uniformity of taxation. There is scarcely a town in the State but exhibits the curious phenomenon that a farm situate in one district of a town will pay a certain tax, while if in another school district in the same town its rate of taxation would be double that in the district in which it is now situate.

"The advantages of the proposed change would be many. The affairs of all school districts would be managed with a business system. There would be equalization of school taxes in towns and a more efficient, intelligent and progressive class of school officers. Parsimony and extravagence would alike be controlled and all the inhabitants of the town would receive equal educational advantages at equal rates. It would guarantee to all inhabitants the school advantages now enjoyed by residents of union free school districts. There would be fewer but larger schools, better wages and better teachers, with less expense to the town at large. There would be more and better supervision by school commissioners and boards of trustees. Better facilities would be afforded for grading country schools and establishing a uniform and satisfactory course of study having in view the entire school population of a town. There would be cheaper and better schools, lower taxes and and longer terms for less money. Uniformity of text-books in the towns of the State would also follow, reducing the expense in that direction. District boundaries would no longer vex school commissioners or take their time and a fruitful source of school disturbance would thereby be governed. The law with reference to compulsory education would be more generally and more easily enforced, and there would be more permanency in the teaching force of the State."

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OVER THE SHAWANGUNKS

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN SULLIVAN COUNTY ARE DOING.

All the News from All Parts of the County—Many Matters of Interest Condensed from Our Sullivan Exchanges and Contributed by Wide Awake Correspondents.

—Charles A. Smith, of Monticello, has passed the civil service examination for messenger in the Capitol. He stood eighth in the list of applicants. He is a veteran of the late war.

—Mr. Martin, of White Lake, who it is said has the largest and finest hog sty in the country, and a choice breed of hogs, keeps a fire in the pen all winter to keep the little pigs warm.—*Register.*

—At county court at Monticello, the suit of James D. LeRoy, of Liberty, against that village to recover damages for falling on an icy sidewalk, was dismissed. In the Stevensville Pond ice case of Alden S. Swan against Edward Keough, the jury found for defendant, evidently taking his view of the case that although plaintiff owned the pond the ice cut by defendant had been on his own land which had been flooded by the pond.

—The Erie station at Narrowsburgh, was entered, Tuesday evening, while Agent Kirk was at supper and robbed of about $50. There were a number of persons about the station at the time but the thieves locked the doors when they entered the building and blew out the lights but those outside thought nothing of this circumstance at the time. There is no clue to the guilty parties, who are however, believed to be residents of the village.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Dunn, of Monticello, slipped on the ice, Friday, and sprained her ankle badly.

—W. B. McMillen, of Monticello, was drawing a load of wood a few weeks ago, when one of his horses slipped and fell, fracturing a hip. When it was found that the horse was permanently crippled it was shot, Monday.

—The cream horse used by Alonzo Comfort for delivering milk to the Monticello creamery dropped dead, Friday morning, while Mr. Comfort was driving home from the village. The horse was about twenty-five years old, and had been used but little for the past two or three years. —*Watchman.*

—The Monticello Methodist Church is arranging to hold a series of revival meetings.

—George McLaughlin, of Monticello, has secured for his youngest son, Jay, an appointment as page in the Assembly. The pay is $2 a day.

—The Fallsburgh and Monticello Electric Railroad Co. has purchased a water power at Thompsonville, and ground for a car shed and power house at South Fallsburgh.

—The *Record* prints the names of twenty-six persons over seventy years old who live within a radius of a mile of Kenoza Lake and Jeffersonville. Many of these people are over eighty, and two are over ninety. It is a record of longevity that is certainly hard to beat.

A NOVEL CLAIM AGAINST A TOWN.

—The town of Callicoon is likely to have a lawsuit on hand shortly. Robert J. Farquhar, of Livingston Manor, while a resident of this place about two years ago, had diphtheria in his family, and he alleges that he was quarantined, and in consequence kept from his work, and compelled to hire servants, for which and the doctor's bill he demands recompense from the town to the amount of $155. Mr. Farquhar was here, Monday, and served notice on Supervisor Scheidell to pay or stand a lawsuit. A prominent town official informs the *Record* that Mr. Farquhar was not kept from his work, and intimated that the town wasn't paying everybody's doctor and servant bills. Mr. Farquhar will evidently have to sue to get anything.—*Jeffersonville Record.*

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NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

Notes of Sunday Services and Other Matters of Religious Interest.

—Bethel A. M. E Church, Rev. J. H. Nichols, pastor—Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday School, 3 p. m.; Bible reading, 6:45 p. m.

—Second Presbyterian Church, Rev. Charles Beattie, D. D., pastor—Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Junior Endeavor, 3 p. m.; young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m.

—St. Paul's M. E. Church, Rev. Frank L. Wilson, D. D., pastor—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday School, 2:30 a. m.; class meeting, 9:45 a. m.; Junior Epworth League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m. Seats free and strangers cordially invited.

—Y. M. C. A., North street—Meeting for men at 3:30 p. m. All men welcome. Good orchestra in attendance. Address by Rev. Horace Arney.

—Faith Mission, 11 Mill street, Elder D. L. Copkhag, pastor. You will be made welcome to any or all of the services at the Mission. Sunday School, 2 p. m.; preaching 3 and 7:30 p. m.

—W. C. T. U., 134 North street—Services at 3 o'clock. The public is invited to attend. Subject: "Prayer."

—First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Thomas Gordon, D. D., pastor—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Young People's service, 6:30 p. m. Strangers cordially invited.

Mission school and service, corner East Main street and Prospect avenue, at 3 p. m. Strangers cordially invited.

—A. M. E. Zion Church, East avenue, Rev. G. M. Payne, pastor—Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 3 p. m.; C. E., 7 p. m.

—North End M. E. Chapel—Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. Mr. Robert Lawrence, Supt. All are invited.

—Free Christian Church—Sunday School, 11 a. m. Preaching in the evening by the pastor. Subject:—"Is there not a better way to advance christianity than by the modern revivals" Gospel Temperance Union this evening.

—North Street Congregational Church, Rev. J. W. Norris, pastor—Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m.; Sunday School, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m. Morning subject:—"A Good Start." Evening, evangelistic service, in charge of pastor and Rev. Horace Arney. Seats free. Strangers welcome.

—The First Universalist Church, Assembly Rooms, 61 North street, Rev. J. Newton Emery, pastor—Sunday School and pastor's Bible class, 10 a. m.; public worship 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject of morning sermon:—"Victory Over Death." Evening, the sixth in the series of special sermons:—"Universalism of the Heart" All are cordially invited.

—First Baptist Church, Rev. Frank A. Heath, pastor. Morning subject:—"Christian Joy on Earth—Leading Sinners to Righteousness; Christian Joy in Heaven—Shining as the Stars Forever." Evening subject:—"Hear God's Voice." Baptism at the close. Our seats are all free. You are welcome.

—Grace (Episcopal) Church, Rev. D. J. Evans, B. A., rector—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany. Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11 a. m.; Children's Service, 3:30 p. m.; evening prayer and musical service, 7:30 p. m.

—First Congregational Church, Rev. W. A. Robinson, D. D., pastor—Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; young people's service 6:30 p. m. Morning subject:—"Defending Our Patrimony" Evening subject:—"A Marvellous Ordination." Cordial welcome to all

An Immense Locomotive.

Schnectady, N. Y., Jan. 30.—One of the largest locomotives ever built in America has just been completed at the Schnectady Locomotive works, for the Northern Pacific railroad. It is a compound, twelve wheeler and weighs ninety-two tons, and when ready for duty will weigh one hundred and two tons. It carries a steam pressure of two hundred pounds to the square inch of boiler surface, and is equipped with the most modern improvements.

Mrs. Beecher Very Ill.

Stamford, Conn., Jan. 30.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher is again very ill. Dr. Samuel Pierson, the attending physician, this morning gave out the following statement: "Mrs. Beecher is suffering again from an old ailment, but her condition is not what can be called serious."

Cyclist Banker Retires.

Pittsburg, Jan. 30.—George A. Banker, the well known cyclist, has permanently retired from the race track and will not again participate in cycling contests. The recent publication that he would soon again make his appearance in public was, Banker states, without authority.

Shot His Mother-in-Law.

Highland Falls, N. Y., Jan. 30.—While intoxicated, James Cox, a hackman, last night drew a revolver and fired four shots at his wife, but missed his aim. One of the bullets, however, passed through the right hand of his mother-in-law. He was arrested and was remanded to the Newburgh jail.

Glove Contest Bill in Nevada Signed.

Carson, Nev., Jan. 30—Gov. Sadler has signed the bill licensing glove contests.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Spot trade fairly active. March, 84¼c.; May, 81¼c.; July, 78⅛c.

Corn—Market dull; prices firmer. May, 29⅞c.; July, 30⅜c.

Oats—Market quiet; trading steady. Feb., 21¼c.; May, 22c.

Pork—Market steady; trade quiet. Extra prime, nominal, short clear, $8.75@10.25; mess, $8.25@9.00; family, $9.50@10.00.

Eggs—Weaker, with poor demand. State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 17½@18⅛c.; ice house, 11@12½c.; western, fresh, 16½@17¼c.; limed, 13½; southern, 16@17½c.

Butter—Fancy firm; fair demand. Creamery western extras, 19c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 14@19c.; creamery, western seconds, 16c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 12c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made extras, 10@12c.; western imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 11@15c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 8½@11c.

Cheese—Market strong; fair demand. Cream, large size, fall made, colored, 11¾c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 3@7¼c.

Potatoes—Firm; moderate demand. Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, $1.25@$1.50; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, 50c.@$1.12.

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IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Charles S. Borland, late of the town of Goshen, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, Mary A. Borland, the executrix of the last will and testament of said deceased, at her place of residence, in the town of Goshen, on or before the 26th day of July next

Dated January 23d, 1897

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SUPREME Court, county of Orange, N. Y.—Mary C. Selleck, plaintiff, against Isaac S. Little and Georgianna Little, his wife; Fannie J. Smith, Harlan P. Little and Mary Little, his wife; Alfred M. Selleck and Mary Selleck, his wife; Sarah E. Selleck, George W. Selleck, Mary Jane Mills, Helen Augusta Bell and William Bell, her husband; Charles Mills and Mary Mills, his wife; Fannie J. Currie, Ethlebert Selleck and Hester A. Selleck, his wife, Isaac Selleck and Mary Selleck, his wife, defendants.

To the above named defendants and each of them:—You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. Trial to be held in the county of Orange, N. Y.

Dated this ninth day of December, 1896.

GEO. H. DECKER, Plaintiff's Attorney, office and postoffice address, 16 East Main street, Middletown, N. Y.

To Isaac S. Little, Georgianna Little, Fannie J. Smith, Harlan P. Little, Mary Little, Helen Augusta Bell, William Bell and Fannie J. Currie:—The foregoing summons is served upon you, by publication, pursuant to an order of Hon. M. H. Hirschberg, Justice of the Supreme Court, dated the 16th day of January, 1897, and filed with the complaint in the office of the Clerk of the county of Orange, N. Y., at Goshen, N. Y.

GEO. H. DECKER, Plaintiff's Attorney, Middletown, N. Y. dWed7tMch3

SUPREME Court, Orange county—Robert McCready and William M. Finch, plaintiffs, against Vera L. Wessel and others, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, made and entered in the above entitled action bearing date the 23d day of January, 1897, I, the undersigned, the Referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the Holding House, on East Main street, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, N. Y. on the 19th day of February, 1897, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day the following described premises:

All that certain lot, piece and parcel of land situate, lying and being on the northwest side of Sprague avenue, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, New York, bounded and described as follows:—Beginning at a point in the northwest line of Sprague avenue one hundred and seven feet northeasterly from the point of intersection of the northwest line of Sprague avenue with the northeast line of Washington street; thence northwesterly on a line about parallel with said Washington street, the distance of one hundred and three and one-half feet to a point; thence northeast parallel with said line of Sprague avenue, fifty feet, to a point, which is at the northwest corner of a lot heretofore conveyed by Robert H. Houston to one Warring; thence southeasterly along the southwest line of said Warring's lot, one hundred and three and one half feet to said line of Sprague avenue, being at the south corner of said Warring lot; thence southwesterly along said line of Sprague avenue fifty feet to the said place of beginning, containing more or less, as the said lot is shown on a map made by C. J. Everson, surveyor, dated January 22d, 1889.

As the said lands and premises are described in a deed thereof from George H. Decker, assignee, etc., to said Robert McCready and William M. Finch, dated April 25th, 1894, and recorded in the Orange County Clerk's office at Goshen, N. Y., in Book 408 of Deeds at Page 187.

Together with all first parties' right, title and interest to the lands lying in front of said lot to the center line of Sprague avenue, subject to the rights of the public therein for all street and highway purposes.

The premises above described being the same lot upon which is standing a dwelling house recently erected by Charles W. Hill, carpenter and builder.

All the above described being the same premises [illegible] and premises this day sold [illegible] McCready and [illegible] interested."

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Simmons Going to Nevada.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 1.—Bob Fitzsimmons has telegraphed Dan Stuart that he will start from New York for Nevada to-morrow to get ready to fight Corbett.

DAILY ARGUS.

SATURDAY, JAN. 30, 1897.

C. MACARDELL, JR.,
PUBLISHER.

GEORGE H. THOMPSON, EDITOR.
J. F. ROBINSON, }CITY EDITORS.
A. E. NICKINSON, }

New Jersey's National Guard cost the State last year $103,101.02. Of this sum $29,824.94 was expended on account of the annual encampment.

Gen. Alger, who is to be Secretary of War, is the same Alger that Sherman accused of buying his "niggers" at one of the many conventions before which he was a candidate for the presidency. There has been a coolness between them ever since, but McKinley has patched up a peace. If he can maintain it he will rank as the great pacificator of the age.

The scheme to bond the county for $200,000 for road improvement which was broached at yesterday's meeting of the Horse and Road Improvement Society, in Goshen, will be certain to arouse a storm of opposition. It is not at all likely that the Board of Supervisors will ever sanction the scheme, and the majority of those who favor road improvment think a mistake has been in going in for such "big money." Serious objection would not have been made to a small beginning but the proposition to bond the county for $200,000 is startling and extreme and will array farmers and small property owners in the cities and villages against the scheme.

The Wannamaker Republicans in the Pennsylvania Legislature propose with Democratic help to order an investigation of the State treasury. It has long been charged that the treasury was rotten and that much iniquity was covered up by reports which were seemingly all right, but the treasury being in Republican hands nothing was ever done about it. Now it is proposed to investigate its condition, not in the interest of the people but for the purpose of giving "a black eye" to Quay and his followers. The feud between the Republican factions in Pennsylvania is growing more and more bitter and the prospects are that as in the past the people will cry "a plague on both your houses," and at the next election turn to the Democrats for relief.

OBITUARY.

Timothy McAuliffe.

Timothy McAuliffe, a former resident of this city, died, yesterday, at the residence of his son James, in Cortland. Mr. McAuliffe at one time lived on a farm near Mechanictown, but went to Cortland several years ago to live with his son, an employe of the Cortland Wagon Company.

The body will reach this city at 6 o'clock, Monday morning, and the funeral will be held in St. Joseph's Church, at 9 o'clock.

Clarissa Van Duzer Howell.

Mrs. Clarissa Van Duzer, wife of Asa Howell, died at her home near Florida, on Friday, aged about sixty years. She is survived by her husband, two brothers and two sisters. One of her brothers, Henry Van Duzer, resides at Goshen. Mrs. John Brasher, of Goshen, is a sister. She was a cousin of J. R. Van Duzer, of this city. The funeral will be held at Florida, Tuesday.

William Hewlett Wiggins.

William Hewlett Wiggins, brother of Henry W. Wiggins, died suddenly at his home in Washington D. C., yesterday. The deceased was born at Monticello Dec 9th, 1836 and was the eldest son of George and Sarah A. Wiggins, who died in this city a few years ago. He is survived by his widow, Virginia Parish Wiggins, and two daughters, Grace Bell and Jessie Copeland, and his brother Henry W. Wiggins, of this city.

During the war Mr. Wiggins, was in the Quartermaster-General's department in Washington and afterwards was chief clerk in the Comptroller's office in New York city.

He was frequently called in as an expert accountant, in the various departments in New York city and Washington. Of late years he has been employed by the Government in Washington.

Deceased was a descendant of the DeVoe family of Huguenot ancestry.

He was well known in Washington and was on terms of personal friendship with Secretary Carlisle and other officials in that city.

Buried in Hillside Cemetery.

Funeral services over the remains of the late Seeley Dunning were held at his residence in New York at 7 o'clock, last evening.

The body was brought to this city on Erie tram 11, to-day, and was interred in Hillside Cemetery. The bearers were John L. Adams, J. E. Mills, C. D. Hanford, S. A. Bull, J. W. Crawford and Josiah Miller.

Not Enough to Satisfy the Claim.

The amount realized from the sheriff's sale of the Dixon Bros'. grocery stock, yesterday, was $371. The amount of the judgment and costs was $400.

Lumour[illegible] the scalp, or scald head, [illegible]m, is never-

CRANE & SWA[illegible]
11 to 19 Montgomery St.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

THE CEVIC REACHES PORT.

BY UNITED PRESS

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—The overdue steamer Cevic from Liverpool, arrived off Sandy Hook, this morning. She was delayed by heavy weather.

FOR BETTER ROADS.

The Orange County Horse and Road Improvement Society's Plan—Proposes to Bond the County for $200,000 to Improve the Highways—A Bill Authorizing the Supervisors to Act Already Drafted.

The Orange County Horse and Road Improvement Association held its annual meeting, in Goshen, yesterday. About fifty persons were present, all of them representative citizens.

E. H. Harriman, the president, in his opening address gave C. E. Crawford and W. B. Royce, of this city, the credit for the organization of the society, the former having suggested a combined movement for the development of the horse interests of the county and Mr. Royce having suggested in connection therewith a concerted movement to secure better roads.

The following directors were elected: E. H. Harriman, Arden; W. B. Royce, Middletown; G. W. Murray, Goshen; William E. Scott, Port Jervis; Clinton W. Wisner, Warwick; T. Suffern Tailer, Tuxedo; Louis Bedell, Goshen; Frank G. Wood, Newburgh; J. A. P. Ramsdell, Tuxedo; Dr. J. O. Green, New York city; William G. Taggart, Newburgh; William A. Lawrence, Chester; Whitfield Gibbs, Goshen.

This is the same Board as served last year except that County Clerk Taggart was put on in place of Mr. Vanderbeck, of Jersey City.

The committee appointed to confer with a committee of the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of devising some plan of road of improvement reported that at a conference held in New York it had been decided to draft a bill for passage by the legislature, authorizing the Supervisors to enter on a comprehensive plan of improving Orange county's roads.

The bill provides that the Board of Supervisors may establish certain roads in Orange county to be known as "county roads." These roads shall be maintained and if necessary constructed on scientific principles, under the supervision of a county engineer. The roads shall also be under the supervision and their working shall be with the approval of the State Surveyor. There is also a provision that in case the State adopts the State road system this road shall be taken and the money expended on it returned to Orange county. The bill also provides that the cost of the construction and care of the county roads shall be apportioned among the different towns and cities of the county in such a way as to the Board of Supervisors shall seem just. The Board is authorized to bond the county under certain restrictions in an amount not to exceed $200,000.

On the lateral roads not designated as county roads it will be recommended that the money system be adopted, but this matter will probably be left to the discretion of the town authorities of each locality.

After a discussion, which was participated in by Messrs. Harriman, Bedell, Royce, J. O. Moore, A. H. F. Seeger, J. E. Wells, C. A. Burt, C. H. C. Beakes and others, a motion was finally unanimously carried adopting the report of the committee, continuing the committee and requesting them to use their best endeavors to secure the passage of this act by the State Legislature.

E. A. Brown, of Middletown, then suggested that the word "horse" be eliminated from the name of the Association and that the body be hereafter exclusively a road improvement association. This did not meet with the approval of many present and the horse was ably defended by Mr. Crawford and Mr. Royce, of Middletown, and the name of the association is still unchanged.

A Ride for Charity.

Last evening's *World* contained a long account of an entertainment given at Belmont Riding Academy, Thursday evening, for the benefit of the *World's* Sick Babies' Fund which was illustratdd by as printed picture of the Jeu-de-barre, one of the participents in which is Miss Ida Howe, who was the guest of Mrs. Frank D. Kernochan.

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A WINTER SONG.

S. E. Kiser in the Cleveland Leader.

Oh! the tough,
Oh! the rough
Wintry weather makes me sad,
Makes me mad!
Oh! how glad
I would be if I had
Wings with which to fly away
To some climate where, to-day,
The daffodils are sprouting and the lambkins are at play—
Where the southern breezes blow,
And they never, never know
The effects of frost and snow—
For there are such places, so
People say.

Oh! the snow!
Oh! the biting winds that blow
To and fro
Almost through me, as I go
Shivering down the gloomy street,
With two chunks of ice for feet!
Everybody that I meet
Has a nose
Like a rare and radiant rose,
And is humped in a hump,
Or is going on the jump,
And the sight of whom alone
Makes me shiver—makes me groan—
Makes me long for sunny lands—
And for gleaming, sleping sands—
Where the white-winged schooner stands out to sea:
Where the lotus is abloom,
Where Jack Frost is up the flume,
And you hear the drowsy boom
Of the busy bumblebee.

Oh! the tough!
Oh! the rough
Wintry weather makes me sad—
Makes me mad—
Yes, I'll bet
That I'll fret—
That I'll fume and fuss and sweat,
And forget
All about the winter's chills
And the plumber's beastly bills,
When the sultry summer days
Roll around,
And the sun's distressing rays
Make the ground
Like a skillet o'er a blaze,
And the rose
Wilts and droops, because the hose
Won't get out itself and play—
When the folks have gone away
To the mountains or the sea,
Leaving me
Starving here, from day to day—
Oh! how nice,
Then, to think
Of the chunk
Of the ice,
And the breezes that at present
Make my mood somewhat unpleasant,
And this life seem pretty costly at the price.

EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD OF CONTROL.

In Session in This City, To-day, Arranging for the Next Convention of the Newburgh District Leagues.

The members of the Board of Control of the Newburgh District Epworth League, of the M. E. Church, met at the Madison House, to-day, to arrange for the next annual convention, and transact other business pertaining to the interests of the league.

The following officers and members of the order partook of a fine dinner, prepared by landlord Lea, on invitation of Dr. G. Fred Pitts, of Warwick, who is president of the District League: Rev. Andrew Schriver, Presiding Elder, Newburgh; Mrs. Augusta Goodale Fairchild, second vice president, Crawford; Rev. R. A. Brown, corresponding secretary, Sloatsburgh; R. A. McBrier, recording secretary, Walden; Miss Indamora M. Benton, treasurer, and Rev. Dr. Wilson, of this city, and Rev. S. Lowther, of Newburgh.

The principal business transacted at the meeting of the board, held this afternoon, was concerning the annual convention, which will meet at the Ellenville M. E. Church, Wednesday, May 26th, continuing until Friday afternoon. It is expected that prominent league workers will be present from outside the district, and that the convention will be the largest held since the league's organization.

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They are good.
They are pure.
They are cheap.

Bowker's "Animal Meal"

Grit,
Meat Scrap,
Bone Meal,
Ground Bone,
Ground Oyster Shells.

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The fine farm known as the Sinclair place near Bloomingburgh, in Orange county, on the Newburgh turnpike. The farm contains about 225 acres, 70 acres of which are planted with 11,000 peach trees just coming in full bearing, and nearly $2,000 netted from the crop last year. The farm is in good state of cultivation and will keep fifty cows. Good outbuildings and house contains thirteen rooms. A complete stock of farm implements in good condition will be sold with the farm. This farm has fine water, is well situated, fine view on the Shawangunk Mountains and location an exceptionally healthy one. Will be sold at a bargain.

GARDNER & McWILLIAMS, NO. 25 NORTH ST

DAILY ARGUS.

SATURDAY, JAN. 30, 1897.

OPEN EVENINGS.

THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL EIGHT O'CLOCK.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Fair to-night; fair but with increasing cloudiness Sunday; northerly winds shifting to easterly; slight changes in temperature.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **20°**: 12 m., **31°**: 3 p. m., **38°**.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—Feb. 1—Field's Minstrels, at Casino.
—Feb. 1-6—McQuoid Engine Co.'s fair, at Assembly Rooms.
—Feb. 2—Officers' supper Wallkill Engine Co.
—Feb. 2—Animotiscope, at Second Presbyterian Church.
—Feb. 4—O'Brien, the Contractor," at Casino.
—Feb. 9—Second Schubert Club concert at 1st Congregational Church.
—Feb. 15—Annual ball of Panghcaugnaghsinque Tribe, I. O. R. M., at Assembly Rooms.
—Feb. 19—Anniversary of Pythiauism by Lancelot Lodge, K. of P.
—Feb. 23-25—North Street Church fair, at Assembly Rooms.
—Feb. 26—Roberts Harper's illustrated lecture, for benefit of Y. M. C. A., at the Casino

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Dr. Valk will be in town Feb. 4th.
—Large sale of Doan's pills at J. E. Mills'.
—In the matter of the Fallsburgh and Monticello Railroad Company.
—Agents wanted.
—Nice cottage for rent.
—Fresh cod liver oil at W. D. Olney's.
—Valentines at Hanford & Horton's.
—Jewelry of all kinds at B. F. Gordon's
—Shoes at less than half price at C D Hanford's
—Last call on cloaks at Carson & Towner's
—New styles in hats at Budwig & Co.'s.
—Embroidery 5c up at Economy Store.
—Pure food talks. See adv. of McMonagle & Rogers.
—Shoes and rubbers cheap at The Hub.
—"O'Brien, the Contractor," at Casino, Feb. 4.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Al. Fields' Minstrels, at the Casino, next Monday night.
—Don't fail to see Al. Fields, at the Casino, next Monday evening.
—Horton & Waldorf sold, to-day a fine horse to S. S. Mapes, of Howells.
—Measles are so prevalent at Ridgewood, N. J., that the schools have been closed.
—H. Arney will deliver one of his popular temperance addresses in the Mission, to-night, at 7:30.
—Popular Al. Fields with his large minstrel troupe will visit us at the Casino, next Monday evening.
—The North Street Congregational Church extends thanks to the O. and W. Relief Association, for bunting donated by the association.
—James Brennan, who last week disfigured the fronts of Haverstraw stores with his jack knife, has been committed to the Middletown asylum.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. J. A. Wallace is visiting friends at Liberty.
—Geo. W. Jamieson, of Pine Bush, was in town, to-day.
—Mrs. Wm. Treat Fairchild is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. B. Williams.
—Miss Marion Rorty left, this morning, for Rochester, for a short visit with friends.
—Robert H. Houston, who has been sick for a week with the grip, is very much better.
—Mrs. S. D. Horton, of 88 Monhagen avenue, has been confined to her bed for the past week.
—John W. Eggleston, of New York, is spending a few days with relatives in this city.
—Miss Violet Holmes is spending a few weeks visiting at Middletown.—*Monticello Republican.*
—Howard Van Duzer, who has been visiting relatives in this city, returned to his home, in Waverly, to-day.
—Miss Laura Starr, of Monticello, arrived in this city, yesterday, and will spend several weeks with friends here.
—B. B. Williams who has been confined to his home for several days, was able to come down town, this morning.
—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. LaBar and Miss Mamie Tedford, of Port Jervis, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Horton and family, yesterday.
—Robert Terhune, a student at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, who has been home for about a week on account of illness, has recovered, and will return to Poughkeepsie, Monday.
—Prof. Howe has just written that he will bring a large screen so that most of the animotiscops views will be life size and he has ordered a new lot of phonograph records especially for Middletown.
—Chas. T. Payne, who so successfully managed the recent production of the Mikado, is now engaged in coaching the members of the Williamsport, Pa., Wheel Club, for a minstrel performance to be given in that city, February 22 and 23. Seventy people will take part in the entertainment.

The Story of an Actor's Life.

The Rev. Horace Arney, of Brooklyn, who has been assisting Rev. J. W. Norris in his evening meetings, will address the Y. M. C. A. meeting, to-morrow afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock, upon the above subject. All men should hear Mr. Arney relate some of the incidents of an actor's life.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—The traffic on the L. and H. R. R. Co. has been running light. They received recently, a contract to transport 430 carloads of cast iron water pipe from Alabama to Edgewater, Mass., and cotton machinery from Massachusetts to Alabama. Last week two full trains of iron pipe passed through on the contract.

BRUTALLY ASSAULTED HIS WIFE

A Drunken Port Jervis Man Nearly Kills His Wife Because She Would Not Give Him Money.

A warrant was issued, yesterday, by Justice McCormick, of Port Jervis, for the arrest of Patrick McEueany, of that village, for assaulting his wife with intent to kill.

The woman was in a most pitable condition, when she took refuge at a neighbor's, at 4 o'clock, yesterday morning. Her face was battered to a pulp and her body was covered with blood and bruises. Dr. Swartwout, who was called to attend her found her in a very critical condition and it was necessary for the justice to go to her in order to secure her affidavit.

She was married to McEneany about a year and a half ago, shortly after the death of his wife. She has some money and her refusal to give more of it to her husband, who had been drinking, led to the outrageous assault which he committed on her. He first attacked her Thursday evening, knocking her down and kicking and beating her and renewed the assault time and again during the night until the life was almost beaten out of her. At last she made her escape and took refuge at a neighbor's.

RED MEN HOLD A POW-WOW.

The Hudson Valley Association of Tribes Organized Last Night.

Eighteen tribes of the Improved Order of Red Men were represented at a meeting held at the Wigwam of Muchattoes Tribe, No. 54, in Newburgh, last night. These tribes are located in Orange, Ulster, Rockland, Greene and Sullivan counties. The meeting was called for the purpose of combining all these tribes into one association.

After some discussion this was done and the Hudson Valley Association of Tribes of the Improved Order of Red Men was organized. The following were elected officers:

President, John Orr, of Cornwall; Vice Presidents, Thomas Good, for First District of Orange; L. B. Myers, for Second District of Orange; George Hubbell, Rockland; C. Lyenes, Greene; A. M. Schriver, Sullivan; Secretary, J. D. Rippert, of Ellenville; Treasurer, E. Palmer, of Catskill; Trustees, Fred Angles, of Walden; J. D. Smith, of Suffern; E. A. Weist, of Sparrowbush.

The next meeting of the Association will be held in this city on the second Friday in July.

THE SCHUBERT CLUB CONCERT

A Pleasing and Varied Programme—"A Midsummer Night's Dream."

The concert of the Schubert Club at the First Congregational Church, Feb. 9th, promises to be the most interesting and most varied of any yet given. The club will give the fairy part of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" with piano, violin and cello accompaniment and Mrs. Mamie Marshall Smith as reader.

The Binghamton *Herald* says: "Mrs. Marshall Smith is the cleverest reader that has appeared before a Binghamton audience. She recited a number of pieces with piano accompaniment, which had a novel and beautiful effect."

The chart for single tickets will be open on Monday, Feb. 1st, at Hanford & Horton's.

EAGLES' BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Some Good Scores Made by Those Who Bowled, Last Night.

Some very fair scores were made in Eagles' bowling tournament, last night. The leaders are Geo. Hoffman and "A. Smith," the unknown.

The scores:

"A. Smith"	181	142	155	176	170	825
W. Wisner	107	123	124	115	148	617
J. Lefever	82	85	125	122	90	517
E. Jakley	116	120	122	102	173	633
A. Zanelli	127	177	151	162	146	763
E. Martini	107	156	93	98	130	585
J. Lefever	116	122	80	103	93	514
G. Hoffman	138	195	185	172	146	834
A. Zanelli	146	148	162	153	174	782
E. Jakely	97	106	131	120	127	581

Death of a Centenarian at Orange Farm

Mrs. Rose, an aged woman from Highlands, died on Monday, at the Orange County Alms House, where she was brought about seven months ago. She had attained the great age of 103 years. She had been in excellent health up to a short time ago and her death was due to a fall in which her hip bone was fractured.

A Train Stopped by an Eel.

The "Lackawanna flyer" on the D., L. and W. road was brought to a stop near Corning, a few days ago, because the engineer found that he could get no water into the boiler. The pipe connecting the engine with the tender was uncoupled and a huge eel was found in it. The incident was an entirely new experience in railroading.

The Literary Clubs' Third Lecture.

The third lecture in the course before the literary clubs will be given next Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at Mrs. O. S. Fellows, on Washington street, by Miss Wilson. Her subject will be "Modern French Art."

Catarrh and Cold Relieved in 10 to 60 Minutes.

One short puff of the breath through the Blower, supplied with each bottle of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, diffuses this Powder over the surface of the nasal passages. Painless and delightful to use. It relieves instantly and permanently cures Catarrh, Hay Fever, Colds, Headache, Sore Throat, Tonsilitis and Deafness. 50 cents.

Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

A LUNATIC'S HARD LOT.

Kept by His Parents for Fifteen Years in a Grated Cell.

Augustus Ward Loomis, thirty-five years old and hopelessly insane, was taken to the Binghamton State Hospital from Cazenovia, a few days ago. For fifteen years the unfortunate man was confined in an iron grated cell which was built for him as an addition to the farm house owned and occupied by his parents. During all those years he was entirely naked for he tore off clothing as soon as it was cut on him. After the death of the lunatic's father, which occurred Jan. 8, his mother found it impossible to care for him and her on application he was committed to the asylum by the county judge of Madison county.

A pair of heavy leather manacles was kept on his wrists all these years, and his finger and toe nails were permitted to grow, as Loomis resisted all efforts to trim them. The hospital agent sent after him successeded in paring the nails of some of his fingers, but Loomis resisted so violently that he was obliged to desist. Those remaining measured several inches in length. Loomis continually mutters unintelligently and starts to leave the room frequently, his keepers being obliged to restrain him.

Loomis up to sixteen years of age was regarded as an uncommonly bright lad, but impulsive and wilful. He fell desperately in love with a pretty young school miss, who did not reciprocate his passion, she preferring the attentions of a far less prepossessing youth. This so wrought upon young Loomis that he became moody, neglectful of his studies and his work upon his father's farm, and finally sank into a hopelessly insane condition. He will probably pass the remainder of his days in the Binghamton institution.

BACHELORS' JUNIOR HOP.

The Bachelors of the Future Well Represented, and All Have a Good Time

The Bachelors' junior hop at the Assembly Rooms, last night, was well attended, about forty couples being present. The rising generation was well represented, and the future members of the B. S. C. thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Among those present from out of town were Miss Beakes, of Newburgh, Miss Howe, of New York, Miss Budd, of Fishkill, Mr. Tompkins, of Fishkill, and Miss Quaid, of Newburgh.

The next hop will be held February 12th.

"Billie" Ulrich's Light Sentence.

"Billie" Ulrich, formerly of this city, convicted of atrocious assault on Richard J. Mooney at his saloon in Paterson, was sentenced, yesterday, to pay a fine of $50 and the costs, a total of about $150. The fact that Mooney was uproariously drunk when he entered the saloon and undoubtedly precipitated the disburbance was all that saved Ulrich from prison.

Poisoned by Excessive Cigarette Smoking.

From the Port Jervis Union.

Frank Lott, the young and popular clerk at the Central House, this village, lies in a very serious state at the home of his mother on Ball street, through the excessive use and overindulgence in the cigarette habit to which he had become addicted. The physician in attendance says the coating of his stomach is very seriously affected.

Fruit Growers Pleased With Conkling Seedlings.

E. G. Fowler, of the *New York Farmer*, attended the meeting of the Western New York Horticultural Society, which was held this week at Rochester. He exhibited specimens of the Conkling seedlings from Manager Corey's Lockeley Hall Farm, near this city. They created a favorable impression.

Did Not Defraud the Insurance Company.

John D. Lewis, a former resident of White Sulphur Springs, who was charged with having defrauded an insurance company by swearing falsely to a list of articles burned in a fire which destroyed his home in 1894, was acquitted at his trial in Monticello, this week.

A Card of Thanks.

The undersigned wishes to thank his friends for their kindness and sympathy during his recent bereavement.

GEORGE MAIER JR.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

Highest of all in Leavening Strength.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN COSHEN.

A Factory Inspector in Town—Removal—A Pleasant Entertainment—The Regents' "Knock-out" Questions in English—"In the Firelight," To-night—A Surprise Party—Other Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Deputy Factory Inspector William E. Tibbs paid Goshen an official visit, yesterday.

—The Goshen Hand Laundry was removed, to-day, from the Sayer building to the store corner Church and Greenwich streets.

—A very pleasant social affair was the entertainment, last night, at the Goshen Institute, by the young lady students. A recitative and musical programme was rendered to an appreciative audience.

—It seems to be the general opinion that the persons who supervised the getting out of the Regents' examination papers in advanced and elementary English were either cranks, or their ideas of the knowledge of the average scholar were very advanced indeed. The advanced English simply "paralyzed" the majority of the class, and in elementary English several questions were put regarding subjects not treated of in the grammars.

—The admission of 35 cents includes refreshments at the entertainment, to-night, "In the Firelight," at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Myers. Every one will be welcomed. The proceeds will be devoted to charity, through the medium of the Episcopal Order of Brothers of Nazareth.

—The bowling teams of Messrs. Wyker and Altmann will come together at the club alleys, Tuesday night.

—In Dexter, Mich., on the 20th inst., Mrs. Jane Ludlum, widow of J. O. Hoyt, at one time a Goshenite, died, aged 70 years.

—About fifty young people of Goshen and vicinity were present at a surprise party at the home of William Knapp, near Goshen, last night.

The Grim Reaper's Harvest.

From the Montgomery Republican.

A party of old-timers sat in the cobbler shop of Leonard Tompkins, the other day, discussing the uncertainties of life and the certainty of death. During the course of the conversation it developed that fifty-nine of the old residents had died in the past dozen years, all of them over sixty years of age.

Druggists and the Excise Law.

Petitions to the Legislature asking for a modification of the excise law in the interest of licensed pharmacists are being circulated in this city and are receiving many signatures. A reduction of the license fee is asked for, as is also a repeal of the provisions which prevent the sale of alcoholic liquors during the night and on Sundays.

Not Sufficient Evidence.

Thomas King, arrested at Saugerties, Thursday, on suspicion of being connected with the Mulligan murder, was discharged Friday morning, the evidence not being sufficient to justify holding him. His brother, Patrick, was released Thursday.

W. C. T. U. Notes.

—A public meeting is called for Monday evening, Feb. 1st, in the rooms, 134 North street, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Mary McKoon, of Sullivan county, will be present and give an address. Everybody will be welcome. Free admission.

—The Union would acknowledge a donation of several packages of cast off clothing for distribution. They have proved very acceptable.

A Heavy Sentence.

Frank Bailey, of Barryville, who pleaded guilty in the Sullivan county court at Monticello, Tuesday, to an indecent assault on the four-year-old son of H. E. Twickell, of Barryville, was sentenced by Judge Smith, Thursday, to twenty years imprisonment at Dannemora.

The impurities in the blood which cause scrofulous eruptions are thoroughly eradicated by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Try it.

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There are many left and your opportunity is at hand. A few Ladies' and Misses' Coats left at $1 and $3.98 each. Every day reduces the stock. Come quick if you want one.

EVERY DAY we sell 10 yards of that Bleached Muslin for 63 cents and "don't you forget it" that those Double Sole, Double Heel and Toe Ladies' Hose at 47 cents a box (three pair in box) are going. See our New Ribbons.

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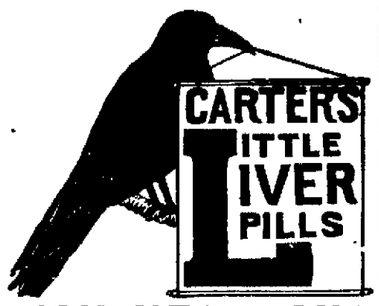
Fitzsimmons Going to Nevada.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 1.—Bob Fitzsimmons has telegraphed Dan Stuart that he will start from New York for Nevada to-morrow to get ready to fight Corbett.



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CHARLES J. EVERSON, successor to William W. Reeve, Surveyor and Civil Engineer, office No. 5 King street, Middletown.

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HENRY C. McBRAIR, D. D. S. Gas administered. Office over Savings Bank, Middletown, N. Y.

IN pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the County of Orange notice is hereby given according to law to all persons having claims against the estate of William H Woodruff, late of the town of Crawford, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the administratrix and administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the residence of the administratrix, Antionette A. Woodruff, in the town of Crawford, aforesaid, their place of transacting business of said estate on or before the 19th day of June, 1897.

Dated December 10th, 1896

ANTOINETTE A. WOODRUFF, administratrix, RICHARD A. WOODRUFF, administrator.

JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, attorney for administrators, Rooms 5 and 6 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. dThur,toJun17

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For Sale!

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IN Pursuance of an order made by Hon John J Beattie, on the 23d day of January, 1897, notice is hereby given to all creditors and persons having claims against Moses F Beebe, lately doing business in the city of Middletown, in the county of Orange N Y under the firm name of F. Beebe & Co., that they are requested to present their claims, with the vouchers therefor, at their office, the residence of [illegible] of creditors, at the office of [illegible] street

CRANE & SW[illegible]

11 to 19 Montgomery

TO SUCCEED CAMERON.

Boies Penrose Just Elected Senator from the Keystone State.

Boies Penrose, who is to succeed J. Donald Cameron in the United States senate, has an interesting connection with the politics of the Keystone state. He stands in the forefront or Mr. Quay's movement, and his nomination is a distinct victory for the Quay side of Pennsylvania politics. Mr. Penrose is very popular in Philadelphia, his home, and might have been chosen mayor at the last civic election had he been able to secure the nomination. He was Mr. Quay's choice, but was beaten by the machinations of David Martin, the

HON. BOIES PENROSE.

noted ward boss. It was this that divided Martin and Quay, who have been at daggers' points ever since. At that time Mr. Penrose was state senator from the Sixth district. Indeed, he has been a member of one or the other houses of the legislature for 13 years. He lives at 1331 Spruce street in the house in which he was born 35 years ago. He is a lawyer, a graduate of Harvard, and was admitted to the bar in 1883. In 1884 he was elected representative, and his political career has been of service to the state. He is a high-grade politician, an able statesman, understands laws and law making, and his youth will not take from him in the United States senate. He is the new type of politician—the young scholar, man of wealth, good fellow, of upright character, genial disposition—in a word, the kind of man the public likes to intrust with important duties. He stands for reform, and his association with Mr. Quay has done much to convince the people of the state that that adroit politician is honest in his desire to thoroughly cleanse Pennsylvania politics. Mr. Penrose has not fathered much important legislation at Harrisburg.

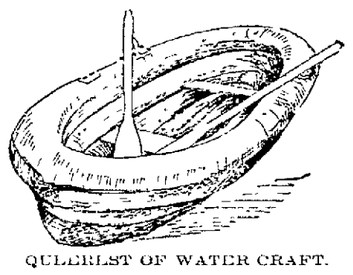
QUEEREST BOAT AFLOAT.

You Blow It Up Just as You Would Your Bicycle Tire.

Here is the queerest boat afloat. It is the invention of a New York man and it will doubtless soon become a popular pleasure craft, as it has so many good features to recommend it, compared with the old style craft.

Especially will it prove a boon and blessing to the sportsman who frequents the river and lakes. Unlike the old-style rowboat this new boat, made of rubber, can be packed in a small space, and the hunter of fisherman can carry it wherever he chooses to go. It is a much safer boat than the old style, too. It is exceedingly hard to capsize, and when it does, filled with compressed air as it is, it acts as a life preserver, and the occupants can support themselves in the water until assistance arrives.

The inventor, H. D. Layman, describes the boat in detail. He says: "This boat is made of rubbered cloth, with continuous air chambers, made in two separate compartments, extending around the top of the boat, on which oar locks are buckled, as shown in the



QUEEREST OF WATER CRAFT.

illustration. It also has an air tube running lengthwise under the center of the boat, which serves as a rudder and bumper. The boats are capable of being deflated and packed into a small case or trunk with their seats and jointed oars, and may be carried under the seat of a buggy, or by hand if needs be, as an outfit. The boat complete, capable of carrying comfortably three or four persons, would not weigh more than 50 pounds. The boats are made in four separate compartments, are simple, durable, and absolutely safe against either capsizing or sinking, but if filled with water would then float several hundred pounds. They have been thoroughly tested both in rough and calm waters and are entirely seaworthy; at least this is the verdict of experienced boat builders, sea captains, lifesavers, and other competent judges."

Most Useful Tropical Plant.

The cocoanut tree is the most useful of all the plants in the tropical region. Its seed furnishes food and an intoxicating drink. The shell gives drinking cups and vessels, and a hard material, capable of a high polish, from which personal ornaments may be manufactured. The trunk furnishes wood for dwellings and boats. The leaves make clothing, cordage, and ropes. The fibers of the bark and of the nut afford matting and carpets. The buds furnish a succulent vegetable; and from the trunk a palatable liquor is drawn by making an incision.

Mad Dog Does Not Foam.

A mad dog does not foam at the mouth, as commonly believed. The discharge from the mouth is small in quantity, thick in consistency, and white in color, and hangs in shreds or [illegible]

Ill Health,

nine times out of ten, is caused by indigestion—Dyspepsia.

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In pursuance and by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, rendered in the above entitled action, at a Special Term of the Supreme Court, held at the Court House, in the city of Newburgh, and State of New York, on the 23d day of January, 1897, Hon Michael H Hirschberg, Justice, and duly entered in the Orange County Clerk's office, I, the undersigned Referee, named in said judgment, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Holding House, in the city of Middletown, N. Y., on the 18th day of February, 1897, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, all and singular, the lands and premises in said judgment, described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the city of Middletown, county of Orange, and State of New York, and bounded and described as follows:—Commencing on the westerly side of East avenue, in said city, and at the southeast corner of the lands now or formerly of Miles A. Ray, and runs thence north forty five and one-quarter (45¼) degrees west about one hundred and twelve (112) feet to the lands now or formerly of Thomas Farrell, thence southerly along the lands of Farrell thirty-one and eight-twelfths (31 8-12) feet; thence easterly about one hundred and twelve (112) feet to the westerly line of East avenue; and thence northerly along the westerly line of East avenue thirty-four and six-twelfths (34 6-12) feet to the place of beginning, together with all the right, title and interest of the party of the first part, if any, in and to the centre line of East avenue, in front of said premises subject to the easement of the same as a public highway, being the same premises described in a deed from Willis L. Bagley to Mary E. Mason, dated June 15th, 1895.

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There Were Some Merry Souls in the Time of King George.

A practical joke may be defined as one in which merriment is produced or sought, not by words, but by action, practiced upon a fellow-creature—commonly an offensive or annoying action. Even if harmless, it holds up the sufferer to ridicule, and intelligent human beings do not need to be told that such conduct is reprehensible. But if the joke be well contrived, sufficiently humorous in idea, and neatly executed, we do not care so much as we should to rank under the "practical" class. Who would not have liked to be present at the royal masquerade when Heidegger, chief purveyor of the revels to George II., was confronted by his double? The duke of Montagu had obtained a cast of the prime minister's face, from this he caused a wax mask to be fashioned and painted. Heidegger's tailor supplied a facsimile of the new and gorgeous dress he was to wear, and the duke engaged an actor to play the part. He told the band, at the last moment, to strike up "Charley Over the Water" at his majesty's appearance instead of "God Save the King." They hesitated, but it was undeniably Heidegger—features, voice, clothes, and also imprecations when the conductor demurred. So the king heard that treasonable air, perhaps for the first time, on entering. We can faintly imagine the tumult. Heidegger rushed to the band, struck the conductor, set him playing "God Save the King," and rushed back to apologize. Next moment he returned to the orchestra, equally furious—that is, his double returned—ordering the band to resume "Charley Over the Water," and the bewildered musicians obeyed. There was never such a scene in the presence of royalty. The officers of the guard in attendance made a dash at the band with swords, but those in the secret blocked the way. Heidegger, dancing around the king, made inarticulate protestations and excuses, whilst his majesty stormed and threatened, making for the door. The situation became perilous. So the counterfeit stepped forward, crying, with passionate indignation: "Sire, the devil has taken my likeness to undo me. Look at him!" Heidegger saw his double, gasped, gibbered and fell senseless. One may think that longer and more complicated "business" might have been developed from such an ingenious hoax; but for a dramatic situation of its class this could not be beaten.

In some parts of South America good folks store all the glass and crockery broken in the twelvemonth, and at carnival time put it into a sack attached to the lofty balcony by a stout cord not quite long enough to reach the ground. When a desirable victim passes beneath, the sack is quietly let go—to be arrested with a hideous crash, upon his very heels. It is credibly reported that foreigners unprepared for this jest have tumbled headlong at the shock, and others have taken to their beds with an attack of fever. These are rare triumphs.

No time or place is sacred to the enthusiastic joker. Duclos tells, in his memoirs, how the prince archbishop of Cologne asked license to preach in the royal chapel at Versailles, when visiting Louis XIV. himself. All the court assembled. It was April 1. The prince archbishop mounted the pulpit in stately fashion, bowed from side to side, and stood a moment as if collecting his thoughts, then shouted: "April fools!" picked up his skirts and ran.

At the Sistine chapel on Good Friday each worshiper received a small whip on entering. Three candles only burnt on the altar. When the first was extinguished everyone threw off his coat; the next his waistcoat; the third was a signal to flog himself in pitch darkness. Sir Francis Dashwood, afterward chancellor of the exchequer, founder of the Dilettanti club, and a personage whose name dwells in history, was visiting Rome. He provided himself with a stout riding whip and got admittance to the Sistine; when the flogging began, instead of titillating his own shoulders delicately, he slashed his neighbors right and left, with British whip cord, conscientiously laid on. The scene is not yet forgotten in Rome. Dashwood had made his arrangements to escape. Horses and servants stood ready in a by-street—he mounted and rode for his life, but some of his followers were captured, tried for sacrilege and sent to the galleys, if we remember right. It may be hoped that when the reckless youth became a power in Europe he did not forget those poor fellows.—London Standard.

Voluntary Testimony.

The following story, which hails from a north country town, shows there are widely varying ideas as to what constitutes voluntary testimony on any subject:

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"Yes, sir, he did," the woman responded. "I just had to persuade him a little, and then he told me the whole thing voluntarily."

"How did you persuade him?" queried his worship.

"Well, first, I gave him a good hiding," said the firm parent, "and then I put him to bed without any supper, and took his clothes away and told him he'd stay in bed till he confessed what he'd done, if 'twas the rest of his days, and I should thrash him again in the morning. And in less than an hour he told me the whole story voluntarily."—Boston Traveler.

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In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto caused the seal of said County Court to be hereunto affixed. Witness Hon. John J Beattie, County Judge of Orange county, this thirty-first day of December, 1896.

[L. S.]

W. G TAGGART, Clerk.

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Nos	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 12 Chicago Ex. T	4.30 a.m.	
* 10 New York Special	6.01 "	
26 Middletown Way	6.30 "	....6.32 a.m
16 Orange Co. Ex., G.M.	7.10 "	....7.12 "
28 Mountain Ex., T	8.23 "	.... 8.25 "
38 Del. Val. Ex. (M.P.G.)	10.48 "	
* 6 W. Mail, (G. exc'pt Su)	12.58 p.m.	....1.00 p.m
30 Way, T. M. P. G	4.17 "	....4.19 "
* 2 C. & G. T. Ex	5.07 "	
* 8 C. & St. L. Limited	6.12 "	
22 P. J. Local T	7.27 "	
* 14 Wells Fargo Express	10 40 "	
*606 P. J. Local (Sun only) M. P. and G. T	8.23 a.m.	
620 P. J. Local (Su only)	5.19 p.m.	
18 Milk (Sunday only)	7.00 p.m.	

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Nos.	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 17 Milk	7.00 a.m.	
* 21 Port Jervis Way	10.36 "	....10.38 a.m
1 Day Express	F10.56 "	
9 Del. Val. Express	11.25 "	
11 Port Jervis Local	1.04 p.m.	.... 1.07 p.m
33 Port Jervis Exp	3.40 "	.... 3.37 "
†* 5 C. & St. L. Exp	4.07 "	
25 Mountain Exp	5.42 "	.... 5.38 "
15 Orange Co. Exp	6 50 "	.... 6.45 "
35 Middletown Way ar	8.05 "	.... 8.08 "
* 7 C. & G. T. Exp	9.34 "	
29 Way	9.13 "	
* 3 Chicago Exp	11.12 "	
601 Sunday Local	10 58 a.m.	
625 P. J. Way (Sun only)	3.08 p.m.	
617 " "	10 29 "	

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No	Leave for	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
*101	Pine Bush Mail	11 30 a.m.	11.35 a.m
*115	" " "		5.55 p.m
Sundays only		11.05 a.m.	11.10 a.m

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11.44	4.15	7.18	Unionville	6.59	7.55	5.16
11.38	3.58	7.03	Deckertown	7.14	8.20	5.33
11.30	3.34	6.55	Hamburgh	7.22	8.46	5.42
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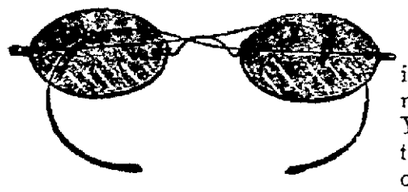

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"Oh, yes, he is. That's grandfather. We shall open our new cemetery with him."—Milwaukee Wisconsin.

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Hat Had to Go.

Here is the lay of an English student of human nature in the London Society:

She sat before me at the play,
Her hat betwixt me and the stage.
I said: "She's of uncertain age;
She wears her hat because she's gray."
Two hands went up, two pins came down,
Her hat was off. Her hair was brown.

Lost Heads.

Fuddy—Let's see, Anne Boleyn had her head cut off because of her beauty.

Duddy—Yes, but they decapitate a woman nowadays because she's handsome.

Fuddy—No. It is the fellows who are thrown in her company who lose their heads.—Boston Transcript.

Spoken by a Man of Wisdom.

Bobby—Pa, what is reason?

Fond Parent—Reason, my boy, is that which enables a man to determine what is right.

Bobby—And what is instinct?

Fond Parent—Instinct is that which tells a woman she is right when she is not.—Odds and Ends.

Slightly Ambiguous.

Mrs. Spooner—Charles, do you think you would ever marry again?

Mr. Spooner—What, after having lived with you for ten years? Never!

Mrs. Spooner would give something handsome if she only knew just what he meant by that.—London Figaro.

The Probable Reason.

Why do poets wear their hair so long?
That they like it so is a reason strong:
But another I'll give, though I may be wrong,
The same reason they wear their hats so long.

—N. Y World.

THE POWER OF WEALTH.

Brother James—Harriet, Jimmy loves yer, but he's too bashful to tell yer so; he's willin' to dewote hisself to you if you'll on'y say the word!

Jimmy (aside)—Speak to her of my wealth; tell her I've got a quarter saved up. Money talks!—N. Y. Truth.

Her Observation.

She yawned, but still he lingered there
(Of bores he was the greatest)
Until she murmured, in despair:
"You're up to date, I must declare,
For you're the very latest."

—Washington Post.

How He Queered Himself.

"Indeed, you are the only girl I ever loved," began the young man, who was trying to propose to the elderly heiress. "I suppose you have had that sort of thing said to you for the past 20 years; but in this instance—"

"Sir!"—Tit-Bits.

Dangerous.

Hewitt—I don't dare cross the street just now, I'm afraid I shall be run over.

Jewett—There's only one carriage coming.

Hewitt—I know it, but a woman is driving.—Town Topics.

A Comprehensive Word.

"What's his profession?" said the man with a wide range of taste.

"He's an artist."

"Yes, but what kind? Does he dance, paint pictures or walk the tight rope?"—Washington Star.

News to Him.

"Have you Pope's poems?" asked young lady of a clerk in a book store.

"I didn't know that the pope wrote poetry, ma'am," replied the latter, surprised.—Demorest's Magazine.

LOCATIONS OF FIRE ALARM BOXES.

For the information of our readers, we publish below a complete list of the numbers and locations of all the fire alarm boxes in this city:

14—Wickham Ave., cor Prince, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue, hat shops.
16—North St. and Wisner Ave., type shop.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wallkill avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Monhagen avenue.
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condensery.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
38—Fairview avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue.
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
21—Rung before a box number, denotes that a test is being made.

1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.

A Great Medicine Given Away.

J. J. Chambers, 57 North street, is now giving free to all a trial package of the great herbal remedy, Bacon's Celery King. If ladies suffering from nervous disorders and constipation will use this remedy they will soon be free from the headaches and backaches that have caused them so much suffering. It is a perfect regulator. It quickly cures biliousness, indigestion, eruptions of the skin and all blood diseases. Large sizes 25 and 50 cents.

All the different forms of skin troubles from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. W. D. Olney.

Sciatic Rheumatism Cured.

L. Wagner, wholesale druggist, Richmond, Va., says: "I had a fearful attack of sciatic rheumatism, was laid up almost two months; was fortunate enough to get Mystic Cure For Rheumatism. This cured me after doctors' prescriptions had failed to have any effect. I have also heard of fine results from others who have used it." J. E. Mills, Druggist, No. 2 Empire Block, North street, Middletown, N. Y.

Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. W. D. Onley.

For over Fifty Years

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used by millions of mothers for their children while teething. If disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers there is no mistake about it It cures Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Price twenty five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists throughout the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" eod&w

Soothing for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles. Stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. W. D. Olney.

Why Attempt to Cure,

catarrh by the use of so-called blood remedies? That catarrh is not caused by blood troubles is self-evident when you reflect that attacks are always due to sudden climatic changes or exposure, and occur most frequently during the winter and spring though the blood is as pure then as in summer or fall. A remedy which quickly relieves and cures the catarrhal attacks has been found in Ely's Cream Balm.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor, delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. W. D. Olney.

Would Not Do Without Dr. Hand's Colic Cure.

Memphis, N. Y., Nov. 11. '95.—The Hand Medicine Co.—"Our baby, now nearly four months old, has been troubled ever since birth by Wind Colic. At first we tried the usual remedies, but until we tried Dr. Hand's Colic Cure found nothing that would give relief. Now we would not think of being without your Colic Cure and Dr. Hand's Remedies for Children, 25 cents At all druggists.

It Makes Cold Feet Warm.

Before you put on overshoes or rubbers, shake into your under shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It prevents that stinging corn sensation and absorbs the perspiration from your feet. Allen's Foot-Ease makes cold feet warm, and makes tight shoes feel easy. After your feet sweat they usually feel cold at this season. Ask your druggist or shoe dealer, to-day, for a 25c. box of Allen's Foot-Ease. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. W. D. Onley.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

DeWitt's Colic & Cholera Cure.

Pleasant, quick results, safe to use.

NEW YORK AND ONTARIO WESTERN RAILWAY.

Time Table in Effect Dec. 20th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	11 * Milk	1 On't Day Exp		7 Sull'v'n Co. Exp	5 * Chic'go Exp	Limt
N. Y. Leave	A M	A M	M	P M	P M	M
Franklin St	2 25	7 40	....	3 00	4 15	....
W. 42d St.,	2 35	7 55	....	3 15	4 30	....
Weehawken	4 00	8 10	....	3 30	4 45	....
Cornwall	6 10	9 45	....	5 00	6 01	....
W Cornwall	6 12	9 52	....	5 05	....	....
Orr's Mills	6 25	9 55	....	f 10	....	....
Little Brit'n	6 40	10 10	5	5 23	....	....
Burnside	6 56	10 16	....	5 34	....	....
Campb'll H	7 07	10 22	....	5 40	6 50	....
Stony Ford	7 15	10 27	....	5 44	....	....
M'town Main St.	....	....	....	....	....	....
M'town ar	7 28	10 43	....	5 58	....	....
M'town lv	7 40	11 45	....	6 00	6 45	....
Winterton	8 45	11 55	....	* 6 10	6 56	....
Bloom'g'b'gh	9 10	12 09	....	6 25	....	....
Wurtsboro	9 21	12 15	....	6 30	....	....
Summitville	9 38	12 30	....	6 34	....	....
Ellenville ar	10 05	12 50	....	6 45	....	....
Fallsburgh	10 32	1 05	....	7 05	....	....
Hurleyville	10 58	1 12	....	7 20	....	....
Liberty Falls	11 15	1 22	....	7 27	....	....
Liberty	11 30	1 29	....	7 38	....	....
Parksville	11 45	1 40	....	7 44	8 07	....
Lv'gst'n M'r	12 00	1 53	....	7 55	....	....
Rockland	12 15	1 08	....	8 05	8 30	....
Hancock Jct	1 20	2 00	....	8 20	....	13
Walton	2 15	2 45	....	8 27	9 19	A M
Sidny Cent'r	....	3 15	....	12 45	9 53	8 05
Sidney	....	3 40	41	2 10	....	8 38
N'rwich ar	....	4 33	A M	3 10	10 35	9 02
N'rwich lv	....	4 38	7 30	P M	11 33	10 02
Oneid' Cast'l	....	6 06	9 10	....	01235	A M
Oneida ar	....	6 10	9 15	....	12 40	....
Oneida lv	....	6 15	....	....	....	....
Fulton	....	7 57	....	....	n2 00	....
Oswego ar	....	8 30	....	....	2 20	....
	P M	P M	A M	A M		

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 * New York Exp	12 *	14 Trel-hi Ex	20 Local	2 Day Exp	
	P M	P M	....	P M	A M	
Oswego lv	12 35	....	....	....	6 45	....
Oneida ar	....	....	....	....	8 46	....
Oneida lv	2 11	....	....	12 20	8 50	....
Oneid' Cast'l	....	....	P	M 12 35	8 53	....
Norwich ar	3 24	....	7 36	3 30	10 37	....
Norwich lv	3 29	....	7 41	P M	10 42	....
Sidney	4 20	....	8 45	....	11 40	....
Sidny Cent'r	....	....	9 03	....	11 57	....
Walton	5 05	12 15	9 38	....	*1237	....
Hancock Jct	5 38	1 30	8	....	1 20	....
Rockland	....	2 38	6 00	....	2 10	....
Lv'gst'n M'r	6 27	3 00	6 14	....	2 35	....
Parksville	....	3 16	6 25	....	2 37	....
Liberty	6 48	3 35	6 36	....	2 51	....
Liberty Falls	....	3 41	6 41	....	n2 56	....
Hurleyville	....	4 01	6 50	....	3 06	....
Fallsburgh	n7 06	4 19	6 57	....	3 14	....
Centreville	....	4 40	7 04	....	n3 20	....
Mountain D.	....	4 50	7 16	....	n3 25	....
Summitville	....	5 15	7 26	....	3 15	....
Wurtsboro	....	5 25	7 33	....	13 52	....
Bloom'g'bgh	....	5 2	7 38	....	3 57	....
Winterton	....	5 40	7 48	....	n4 02	....
M'town ar	8 00	6 05	8 01	....	4 20	....
M'town lv	8 10	6 25	8 10	....	*4 30	....
M'town Main St.	....	....	....	....	....	....
Stony Ford	....	6 27	8 12	....	4 32	....
Campb'll H.	....	7	8 25	....	13 46	....
Burnside	....	7	7 × 31	....	4 52	....
Little Brit'n	....	7	7 35	f 36	14 57	....
Orr's Mills	....	7	5 18	46	15 08	....
W Cornwall	....	8	15	53	15 19	....
Cornwall	8 53	8	3	9 07	5 25	....
Weehawken	10 0	11	00	10 50	7 00	....
New York Ar.	....	....	....	....	....	....
W. 42d St.,	10 30	11	15	10 40	7 10	....
N. Y.,	....	....	....	....	....	....
Erie St	ar 10 45	11	30	10 55	7 25	....
	P M	P M		A M	P M	

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

a Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

¶ Stop for meals.

Trains leave Hancock Junction 3 05 p. m., for Scranton, Carbondal and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., for Hancock Junction.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 and 11 30, a. m., 3 50 and 6 45 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00, and 10 50 a. m., 3 10 and 5 00 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and 11 00 a. m., *4 00 p. m.

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 7 00 a. m., *2 45 and 3 50 p. m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m.

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10.00 a. m., *3 45 and 8 40 p. m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and 10 02 a. m., and 2 00 p. m.

For further particulars see local card.

Lowest rates of fare to all points west. One to three dollars less than other lines

Express Trains Nos 5 and 6 run solid between New York and Suspension Bridge Reclining Chair Car free to through passengers, and Pullman Sleeping Car without change from New York to Suspension Bridge

No. 5 arrives at Chicago 9 10 p. m

No 6 leaves Chicago via Wabash R. R. 3 00 p. m.

No 6 leaves Chicago via C. & G. T. R. R. 3 10 p. m.

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J. C Anderson, General Passenger Agent.

N. Y., S. & W. R. R.

In effect Sept 21st 1896.

NORTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	p m
New York	* 30	.....	4 10
Jersey City	8 46	.....	4 25
Hackensack	9 14	.....	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26	.....	5 02
Paterson	9 29	....	5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	3 00	6 32
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 16	6 42
Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
Hamburg	11 20	3 36	6 55
Deckertown	11 38	3 52	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	4 04	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 25	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 38	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 57	7 44
Middletown	12 12	5 10	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily a m	ex Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	* 30	7 12	4 45
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	4 57
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 03
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 09
Unionville	6 59	7 55	5 16
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 25
Deckertown	7 14	8 20	5 33
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	5 42
Franklin Junction	7 27	8 53	
Franklin	7 29	8 56	5 49
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54
Two Bridges	7 51	9 42	6 10
Paterson	8 09		7 30
Paterson (Broadway)	9 25	10 26	7 33
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	7 46
Jersey City	9 35	11 12	8 13
New York	9 55	11 23	8 23

f Stop on signal.

A SHINING BEACON.

The hearth lit up by our famous Wilkesbarre Coal casts its effulgence beyond the confines of the room, and the weary wayfarer finds hope and cheer in the far-reaching rays. Comfort for your family and the belated ... our celebrated ... Coal. Senator George ROYCE'S CO... ble night and ... somewhat improved this morning.

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Solid trains between New York and Chicago, via Chautauqua Lake or Niagara Falls. Pullman cars between New York and Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Chautauqua Lake, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago.

TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 1, 1896.

Sun 18	10	12	Eastern Time.	14	17	21	1	9	11	33	30	6	38	28	16	26	10	15	27	5	39	25	29	7	8	21	1	9	11	33	30	6	38	28	16	26	10	15	27	5	39	25	29	7	8
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THE FIRE COMPANIES' ELECTIONS

Much Talk of Slates and Combinations—Many Firemen Willing to Hold Office—Some of the Possibilities of the Elections.

The annual meetings and election of officers of the several companies of the Middletown Fire Department will be held Monday evening. The usual ante-election talk of "complete revolution" is heard from the members of one or two companies, but the usual good humor prevails and when the result is announced on Monday evening everything will move along as harmoniously as before.

Excelsiors will in all probability re-elect their line officers, but there may be changes in the executive offices. It is understood that President F. A. R. Pronk, who has served the company so long and faithfully, is desirious of retiring. If this is so there will be a lively scramble for the position.

Monhagens have two slates, but the one in most favor is Staib, foreman, with Lounsberry and Fredericks for assistants.

Eagles are satisfied with their officers and it is not likely that any changes will be made.

McQuoids are said to have two slates, but the members are very reticent on the subject and prefer to do their fighting in the rooms on election night.

Phœnix has a new candidate for vice president in the person of E. A. Lorentz and J. B. Wheeler, the present secretary, is desirous of carrying the foreman's trumpet. The company will banquet on next Friday evening at the truck house, the Ladies' Aid Society serving the collation.

Ontarios have two or three aspirants for foreman and a complete turn over is predicted in this company.

Waalkills will have several changes, but there will be no strife for offices.

"LET ME OFF AT GENUNG STREET."

A Young Man from This City in the Hands of the Paterson Police.

A Paterson policeman found a young man helplessly drunk in a snowbank in that city, Thursday night. As the officer tried to rouse him all the man could say was "I'm from Middletown: let me off at Genung street." The patrol wagon was called and the man from Middletown taken to the police station where he wanted the officer in charge to give him a pass to Middletown. When he was searched, before being locked up, his pockets were found to be filled with the vilest kind of obscene literature.

When arraigned, yesterday, he gave the name of William Barton, which the police knew to be assumed, for his real name was on letters in his pockets. He acknowledged having been drunk, but when asked about the vile stuff found in his pockets denied all knowledge of it and intimated that it must have been put there by some enemy of the cause of social purity. The Recorder ordered the police to destroy the obscene literature and sentenced the young man to pay a fine of $10 or to be imprisoned for thirty days.

A Mouse's Long Run.

From a Norwich newspaper comes the following "mouse story:" "A wheelman of this place hung his wheel from a shelf in the cellar. A mouse jumped from the wall upon the front wheel, which began to turn and of course the mouse started for the top, but the wheel kept turning and the creature could not get enough foothold to leap to the shelf. In the morning the mouse was still running and the cyclometer showed that he had run twenty-eight miles."

Mrs. Fisher Granted a Divorce.

In the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, yesterday, Justice Dickey granted Mrs. Clara M. Fisher, of this city, a separation from her husband, James C. Fisher, upon the ground of cruelty. He also awarded her a judgment of $567 on a note together with counsel fees and alimony.

Mr. Fisher is in New Jersey and made no defence at the trial.

"O'Brien, the Contractor."

Dan Sully will produce "O'Brien, the Contractor," at the Casino, next Thursday evening. The role gives abundant opportunity to bring into play his remarkable talent as a comedian in the portrayal of the Irish-American in which style of work he stands alone without a peer.

Dyspepsia Relieved.

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., Jan. 6, 1897.—"I find Hood's Sarsaparilla an excellent medicine. I have taken it myself and my husband has also used it and thinks he cannot get along without it. It has given me a good appetite and it has relieved my husband of dyspepsia. We value it very highly."

MRS. J. E. TAYLOR.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable; do not purge, pain or gripe.

Heart Disease Relieved in Thirty Minutes.

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gives perfect relief in all cases of Organic or Sympathetic Heart Disease in 30 minutes, and speedily effects a cure. It is a peerless remedy for Palpitation, Shortness of Breath, Smothering Spells, Pain in Left Side and all symptoms of a Diseased Heart. One dose convinces.

Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

CRANE & S...

11 to 19 Montgomer... Liver Pills, Bit... and ...ches.

$3,400.00 CASH AND PRIZES GIVEN FREE EACH MONTH FOR Sunlight SOAP WRAPPERS

As follows:

4 First Prizes, each of $100 Cash	- -	$ 400.00
20 Second " " " $100	PIERCE SPECIAL Bicycles*	2,000.00
40 Third " " " $ 25 Gold Watches	-	1,000.00
Cash and Prizes given each month	- -	$3,400.00
		12
Total given during 12 mos. 1897,		$40,800.00

HOW TO OBTAIN THEM.

Competitors to save as many SUNLIGHT SOAP Wrappers as they can collect. Cut off the top portion of each wrapper, that portion containing the heading "SUNLICHT SOAP," These (called "Coupons") are to be sent, postage fully paid, enclosed with a sheet of paper stating Competitor's full name and address and the number of Coupons sent in, to Lever Bros., Ltd., New York, marked on outside Wrapper (*top left hand corner*) with NUMBER of the DISTRICT Competitor lives in.

No. of District	NAME OF DISTRICT.
1	New York City, Brooklyn, Long and Staten Islands, New Jersey.
2	New York State (*outside of N. Y. City, Brooklyn, Long and Staten Islands*).
3	Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia and District of Columbia.
4	The New England States.

*The Bicycles are the celebrated Pierce Special, 1897 Pattern, m'f'd by Geo. N. Pierce & Co., of Buffalo, Boston and New York. Fitted with Hartford Tires, First Class Nickle Lamp, New Departure Bell, Standard Cyclometer, and Hunt Lace Saddle.

Next Largest Numbers of coupons from the district in which they reside will Each receive at winner's option a lady's or gentleman's Gold Watch, price $25.

2. The Competitions will Close the Last Day of Each Month during 1897. Coupons received too late for one month's competition will be put into the next.

3. Competitors who obtain wrappers from unsold soap in dealer's stock will be disqualified. Employees of Lever Brothers, Ltd., and their families, are debarred from competing.

4. A printed list of Winners in Competitor's district will be forwarded to Competitors in about 21 days after each competition closes.

5. Lever Brothers, Ltd., will endeavor to award the prizes fairly to the best of their ability and judgment, but it is understood that all who compete agree to accept the award of Lever Brothers, Ltd., as final.

RULES.

1. Every month during 1897 in each of the 4 districts prizes will be awarded as follows:

The 1 Competitor who sends in the Largest Number of coupons from the district in which he or she resides will receive $100 Cash.

The 5 Competitors who send in the Next Largest Numbers of coupons from the district in which they reside will Each receive at winner's option a lady's or gentleman's Pierce Special bicycle, price $100.00.

The 10 Competitors who send in the

LEVER BROS., Ltd., New York.

THE UNION MEETINGS.

A Large Attendance Last Night—The Meetings to be Discontinued for the Present, But May be Resumed With an Evangelist in Charge.

The union meeting in St. Paul's Church, last night, was well attended. Rev. Dr. Wilson was in charge. His topic was "The New Birth," and the lesson read was Nicodemus's interview with Jesus. Dr. Wilson spoke very earnestly, pressing home on all his hearers the necessity of being born again if they would have eternal life.

Prayers were offered by Dr. Wilson, Dr. Robinson, Rev. John Hadden and John McWilliams, and Dr. Beattie gave a forcible exhortation on the theme presented.

Henry L. Adams sang a solo, "Shall I let him in?" Mrs. Skinner sang a solo entitled "Come."

A testimony service was held, which was participated in by a large number.

Dr. Beattie asked for a large collection, so that the necessary expenses, such as lighting, heating, and the services of the sexton, could be met.

The benediction was pronounced by Dr. Gordon.

The meetings will be discontinued for the present, but may be resumed later under the charge of an evangelist.

New York City's Milk Consumption.

From the Milk Reporter.

The total receipts of milk, cream and condensed milk in New York city market during the yeas 1896 were 8,295,616 cans of forty quarts each. About 60 per cent. of this was carried by three roads, the Erie, Ontario and the D., L. and W. These cans placed in a row would make a line 1,700 miles long. If loaded in cars, 250 to each car, 33,162 cars would be required to hold them, and this would make a train more than 200 miles long.

A Dog on Fire.

A servant in a Lackawaxen hotel shook down the kitchen stove, a few mornings ago, and some of the coals fell on a large shaggy dog that was lying by the stove. The dog howled with pain, and made a rush for the open door, when the wind fanned the burning wool into flames. The girl had the presence of mind to dash a pail of water on the burning animal, which extinguished the flames, but as it was the dog was badly burned.

A Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Sanford, of Warwick, celebrated their golden wedding, yesterday afternoon and evening. About 125 guests were invited, most of them lifelong friends of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford. It is mentioned as a somewhat singular fact that among the guests invited were twenty-four widows and only six widowers.

Erie Surgeons Appointed.

Dr. W. L. Cuddeback, Dr. H. B. Swartwout, of Port Jervis, Dr. E. M. Schultz, Middletown, Dr. N. B. Johnson, Shohola, Dr. W. W. Appley, Cochecton, and Dr. H. A. Plum, Hawley, have been appointed surgeons for the Erie Railroad Company for the year 1897.

A Surprise Party.

A pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Miss Ella Synder, No. 211 East Main street, last evening. The evening was spent with music and games. Supper was served at 12 o'clock.

10 Cents Cures Constipation and Liver Ills.

Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are the most perfect made, and cure like magic, Sick Headache, Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion and all Liver Ills. 10 cents.

Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

Women who object to consult for painful irregularities, cramps and headaches peculiar to the sex, relieved at once without danger by Apioline-Chapoteaut. Send $1. P. O. Box 2,081, New York.

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"I am an old soldier of the Rebellion. A year ago I was in bed all winter with chronic rheumatism. Three doctors failed to give me relief. Two bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters put me on my feet. It is worth its weight in gold." W. B. Knapp, Litchfield, Hillsdale Co., ...

BLOOMINGBURGH.

Temperance Meeting Postponed—C. E. and Epworth League Topics.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The temperance meeting that was to have been held, Sunday evening, has been postponed as Mrs. Conkling, the speaker, is unable to get here.

—The C. E. Topic for Sunday evening, Jan. 31, is "Endeavorers loyal to Christ—what will they do," John xiii:31-38. Leader, Mrs. Milo Seagers.

—Epworth League topic for Jan. 31 is "The temporal blessings which follow christianity," Isaiah lx:17-22. Leader, Lessie Kerr.

—Mrs. C. C. Andrus is quite ill.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y.

Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30, '97.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	116⅞	117½
Tobacco	73½	74¼
Chicago Gas	77⅝	78¾
Nat. Lead	25¾	—
General Electric	34¾	35⅞
U. S. L., pref.	61¾	62¼
Tenn. Coal and Iron	29½	30⅝
A. T. & S. F.	14½	15⅛
C. B. & Q.	74⅛	75⅜
C. M. & St. P.	76¼	77⅛
R. I.	68	68⅞
D. L. & W.	153	154
C. of N. J.	99¾	101
Erie	14⅜	15⅛
D. and G.	107¾	107⅞
O. & W.	—	—
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref.	24¾	—
P. & R.	26¼	26¾
N. W.	104¼	105
L. S.	152¼	153
N. Y. C.	93¾	93⅝
M. P.	21¾	23
Texas	9⅞	—
U. P.	7⅛	7⅛
W. Union	84	—
L. & N.	51⅝	51¾
Manhattan	89¼	91
P. M.	25¼	25⅞
Wabash, pref	—	16⅜
No. Pacific, pref.	36⅝	38⅛
W. L.	—	—
Southern R'y	—	—
Southern, pref.	28⅝	29⅝
May Wheat	74¾	75½
May Corn	24¾	24¼
May Oats	18¼	18
May Pork	$7 85	$7 82
May Lard	4 00	4 00

If asked the question "Have you got a stomach?" it would be safe on general principles, to answer "Yes." But, if you are sure of it, that is, if you ever feel any distress after eating or any pains of whatever description in the region of the stomach, you have got something more then an ordinary stomach; in other words you have got a diseased stomach. The stomach is a powerfull muscle, and the proper remedy for a tired muscle is rest. Try the Shaker Digestive Cordial, for this product not only contains digested food, which will nourish the system without any work on the part of the diseased organs, but it aids the digestion of other foods as well. You can test its value in your case for the trifling sum of 10 cents. Sample bottles at this price are carried by all druggist.

LAXOL is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phœbe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida St., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at McMonagle & Rogers Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and $1.00.

Headache bad? Get Miles' Pain Pills.

DIED.

McAULLIFF—At the residence of his son James, at Cortland, N. Y., Jan. 29th, '97, Timothy McAuliff, formerly of this city.

Funeral from St. Joseph's Church, at nine o'clock, Monday.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Undertaker, No. 99 North street. Lady assistant. Telephone No. 3. New York office, 154 East 23d street.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, corner West Main and James Sts. Lady assistant. Telephones Nos. 10 and 22.

JOHN LONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 124 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

DOUGHERTY & REILLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 97 Grand ... Lange street.

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for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

WANTED—Salesmen to sell a very complete line of lubricating oils, greases and specialties. Liberal terms to good men. 51d6t JEWEL REFINING CO., Cleveland, O.

FOR RENT—Nice Cottage, centrally located. 1t Enquire at 13 William street.

DR. FRANCIS VALK will be at Dr. T. D. Mills office Thursday, Feb. 4th. 1tw&dSat

FOUR Shares First National Bank stock for sale. Enquire at ARGUS office. 53d2t

"HARDING'S Handy Hanger," price 12 cents Keeps coat, vest and pants in good shape, all at the same time. A fine Christmas gift. G. F. HARDING, Mfr., Wurtsboro, N. Y.

$10 REWARD—Lost on Highland avenue, between Mr Clemson's house and West Main street, Monday afternoon, a brown bear carriage robe, lined with green. Above reward will be paid for its return to 50dtf THE NATIONAL SAW CO.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF will return to Middletown March 1st and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James street. 18d&w3mMch17

EXTRACTING with gas 50c., odontrander 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth $6, $8 and $10 a set. Twenty years' experience. 99d&wtf DR. ROBINSON, 44 and 46 James St.

PIPES, PIPES, PIPES.

I will offer this week, at my store, pipes at a great reduction. Now is the time to buy. Don't fail to come in and examine my stock, as I have the largest assortment to select from in the city. Electric Cigar Store, No. 12 North street, Middletown. 42d&w1yMy20 N. D. MILLS, Prop.

SPECIAL — A splendid two-quart Fountain Syringe, extra long tubing, with three hard rubber pipes, 45c. Have purchased a large supply, and will sell them at cut price to run them out quickly. Get one at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

R U TROUBLED with cold feet at night? There's lots of comfort in our Hot Water Bottles, 50c. Get one at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

FOR RENT—Four rooms, first floor, well and cistern, Wawayanda avenue, $4.50 to April 1st; also seven room cottage, Benjamin street. MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys, No. 57 North street.

AS a Conservator of Health, one pair of dry feet is worth a dozen drug stores. A good pair of hand-made shoes is the best life insurance a man can carry. CRAIG, the Shoemaker, will make you any kind of shoe from $2.50 up. 22 West Main street.

$1000 TO Loan on bond and mortgage. Address Box 305, city. tf

LARGE ingrain carpet; also 8 yards English body Brussels stair carpet; carpenters' boring machine with 2 augers, also large split cheap at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street.

PROF. LOUIS JESTER, Teacher of the Science of Manly Art, and Physical Culture and Natural Development. Massage Treatment a specialty. Casino Building. 33dtf

M. C. FREER has opened a painting and paper hanging business at 82 Wisner avenue. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory. Prices very reasonable. 54dlyFeb6 M. C. FREER.

TANSY, Pennyroyal and Cotton Root Pills, woman's friend. A safe, prompt and reliable remedy for all obstructions. Agency at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

PAPER Hanging at 12½c a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. EMIL MARTINI, dtf Shop 5 Academy Ave.

GOOD Barn for rent. W. C. DOYLE. 97dtf 24 Benton avenue.

PAINTING, Paper Hanging, Decorating—CHAS. J. KIDD, JR., 70 Academy avenue, is prepared to do work in the above lines, in the best style and at reasonable rates. An experience of several years in New York City enables him to guarantee first class work. 71dtf

HEADQUARTERS for Weather Strips at No. 1 Railroad avenue. Put them on now and keep warm. CHAS. Z. TAYLOR.

FOR RENT—The store now occupied by Chas. H. Brink, No. 7 King street, and used as a plumbing establishment. Possession given Feb. 1 35dtf H. R. WILCOX.

MANICURE and Hair Dressing Parlor—Hair dressed, cut, curled, singed, clipped, dyed and shampooed. Hair goods supplied. 43dtf 4 EAST MAIN ST., over Olney's Pharmacy

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IN the Matter of the Fallsburgh and Monticello Railroad Company — The Fallsburgh and Monticello Railroad Company, having made application in writing to the Commissioner of Highways of the town of Fallsburgh, county of Sullivan, N. Y., for consent and permission to build, maintain and operate its railroad upon the streets and highways leading to said town of Fallsburgh, and commonly known as the Monticello and Fallsburgh Turnpike, as in said application described, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the above application, that the same will be first considered on the 16th day of February, 1897, at LeRoy's Hotel in said town of Fallsburgh, at nine o'clock a. m. on that day.

Dated January 26th, 1897.

MARSHALL N SMITH, Highway Commissioner for town of Fallsburgh. d30,6,13

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of John B. Chardavoyne, late of the town of Minisink, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator of the estate of said deceased, at his place of residence, in the town of Minisink, on or before the 15th day of July next.

Dated January 4th, 1897.

WARREN CHARDAVOYNE, Administrator. wTu6mJly6

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into our new store. Been moving reliable merchandise at fair prices in and out of this store for three years, until the business has outgrown the storeroom. The most interesting store news, Monday, will be our

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of fine desirable styles, bought for our new store, but here ahead. They are best values we ever had, all cut out ready to use, fine firm work and pretty patterns, widths one to eight inches, prices

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